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Trump

Message :

1. Please demand that Trump reveals his taxes. We pay our taxes-which pays your salary. Does he pay his taxes? What is he hiding??
  2. I am against the ban on refugees and the defunding of sanctuary cities. We might as well get rid of the Statue of Liberty if that is how our country is going to be. As a Christian I feel it is our duty to help when we can. I am against the "wall". What a waste of money.
  3. I am against defunding the NEA and NEH
  4. I am against building the Dakota and Keystone Pipeline. Find another way-we need to develop solar and other means of energy.
  5. Look into the silencing of the EPA and NPS. Global warming is real-we have to take care of our earth.
- We will be watching how you vote on things. Thank you for your time.

**From:** Ohio Arts Council

**Sent:** Thursday, February 23, 2017 1:04 PM

**To:** Rep07

**Subject:** February ✉ Arts Advocacy, Deadlines, & Webinars

Keep an eye on upcoming grant deadlines, past webinars now available online, and an important message on advocacy.

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**VALUE OF THE ARTS & IMPORTANCE OF ADVOCACY**

It's that time of year when we begin to plan for National Arts Advocacy Day on March 20-21 in Washington, DC. It's always important to tell our stories of the economic, educational, and cultural value of the arts, but with a new president and Congress in place, it's especially critical that we communicate the value of federal funding for arts and culture through the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) – and its direct impact on Ohio's arts and cultural communities.



**KEEP READING DONNA'S MESSAGE**



### OHIO POETRY OUT LOUD EXPANDS REGIONALLY

Semifinals are underway in six regions of the state! Meet the *POL* partners near your community and wish the students good luck before the State Finals on March 4.

**MEET OUR PARTNERS**



### MARCH 28 WEBINAR WITH ARTS MIDWEST

Join us to discover funding and learning opportunities with Arts Midwest, including the Arts Midwest Booking and Education Conference and the Arts Midwest Touring Fund.

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## SPOTLIGHT: FEATURED ARTISTS AT THE OHIO GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE

This season's Spotlight exhibition with Ohio First Lady Karen W. Kasich features artwork that inspires and thrives through the creativity of artists with disabilities. In a collaboration with VSA Ohio, the artwork of 17 artists from seven organizations across the state will be on display at the Governor's Residence until May 2017. Visit [oac.ohio.gov/spotlight](http://oac.ohio.gov/spotlight) to view the complete brochure.

### MARCH 1

- Arts Access | General Operating Support for Small Organizations
- ArtsNEXT | Funding for Bold, Groundbreaking Projects

### APRIL 3

- ArtSTART | General Project Support for Organizations
- Reminder for Sustainability Grantees: Year 3 Updates Due

**CONTACTS:** Brianna Dance, Organizational Programs Coordinator,  
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## MARCH 1

- Arts Partnership | Support for Arts Education Projects

**CONTACT:** Chiquita Mullins Lee, Arts Learning Coordinator, [chiquita.mullinslee@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:chiquita.mullinslee@oac.ohio.gov)

## MARCH 15

- Traditional Arts Apprenticeship | Preserving Cultural Heritage through Collaboration
- Heritage Fellowships | Recognizing Ohio Folk and Traditional Artists

**CONTACT:** Kathy Signorino, Individual Artist Coordinator, [kathy.signorino@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:kathy.signorino@oac.ohio.gov)

### Mark Your Calendar

March 4: Ohio Poetry Out Loud State Finals  
at the McConnell Arts Center in Worthington

March 20-21: National Arts Advocacy Day in  
Washington D.C.

April 5: OAC Spring Board Meeting

April 24: Poetry Out Loud National Finals in  
Washington D.C.

May 17: Celebrate Arts Day & Governor's  
Awards for the Arts in Ohio in downtown  
Columbus

### Happening in the OAC Riffe Gallery

Drop-in during lunch for **FREE** workshops  
with Melissa Vogely-Woods during  
the *Come Along With Me* exhibition. All  
levels welcome!

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March 8: Poetic text and collage

March 15: Folded book making

March 22: Interactive mail art

March 29: Personal narrative tree project

April 5: Stitched book binding workshop

April 12: Narrative-based collage project

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY | CAMA Digital Marketing

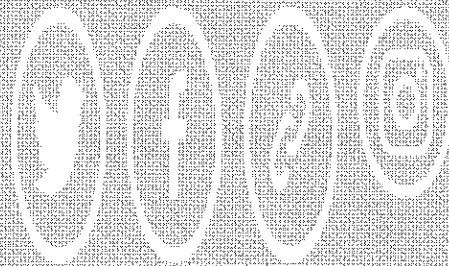
### Bootcamp

Wednesday, March 22, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Columbus Metropolitan Library (Parsons Branch)

Ceci Dadisman (digital marketer, speaker, nonprofit empowerer) will lead this hands-on, activity-driven session. It will equip you with strategies and methodology on how to best utilize digital marketing and social media for your organization. We'll delve into digital marketing for arts organizations and create a well-rounded and achievable plan for success. You'll learn what platforms have the highest return, how to use them, and how to track the results.

REGISTER ON EVENTBRITE BY MARCH 15 | \$50 Non-CAMA Member Price or \$25 Member Price

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 9, 2017 7:42 AM  
**To:** Munsup Seoh  
**Subject:** [mpen-cleveland] FW: "Science Isn't an Alternative Fact" & "Join Us in Standing Up to Special Interests" & "American Healthcare Act" & " Vault 7" and more  
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**From:** Laura Markwardt; Media and Communications Strategist, AAUP  
**Subject:** Science Isn't an Alternative Fact. Join Us in Protecting It.

From intro courses that teach students how to ask questions and evaluate truth based on the weight of evidence to cutting edge research that saves lives and protects our environment, science serves the common good. Science is a vital feature of a working democracy, spurring innovation, critical thinking, and increased understanding.

**And from the highest levels, science is under heavy attack.**

But science's many advocates are resisting efforts to defund science, harass scientists, and suppress facts. AAUP members, leaders, and supporters are proud to join and support the March for Science on April 22, Earth Day, when scientists and its defenders will head to Washington DC and hundreds of satellite marches across the globe to stand up for science.

**Join us at the March for Science. RSVP here.**

A few weeks ago, Michael Mann, an AAUP member and professor of atmospheric sciences at Penn State, shared his story of what it was like to be attacked, harassed, and investigated for his research on climate science. He warned of unprecedented assaults on science by the government that should be supporting and promoting it.

The AAUP continues to monitor and challenge these attacks. We also want to hear from you -- how the attacks on science affect you and your work, and why you're participating in the marches. We'll feature some of your personal stories on social media.

**Tell us why you're marching. RSVP here.**

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**From:** Andrew J. Tierman

**Subject:** 'Great Lakes Restoration cuts' & 'more insult to teachers - thanks to Kasich of OH'



<http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2017/03/02/great-lakes-restoration-gets-drastic-cuts-early-white-house-proposal/98659286/>

<http://neatoday.org/2017/03/02/teacher-externships->

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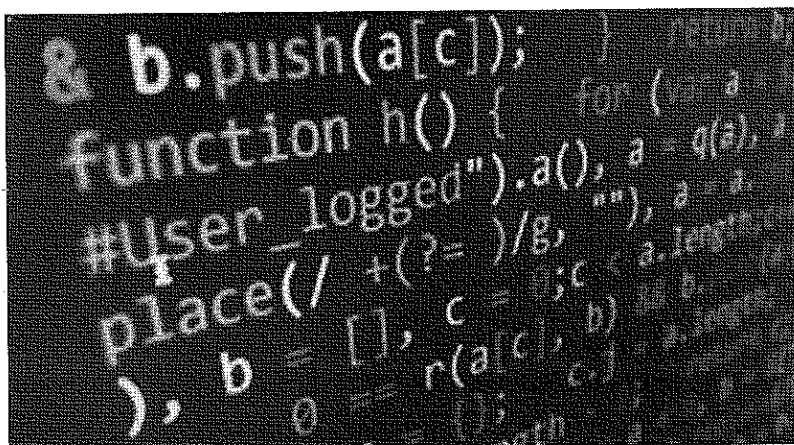
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**From:** Thomas Scott  
**Subject:** Weapons of Math Destruction

## "Weapons of Math Destruction"....

Hidden in the Algorithms



### Hidden in the Algorithms

A new book argues that data science may serve to reinforce inequality.

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**From:** Eric Kramer

**Subject:** "Peanut Butter on the Trump Team" Os Chins - The New York Times" & "Morning Show Interview"

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/07/opinion/peanut-butter-on-the-trump-teams-chins.html?smid=fb-share&r=0>

Scarily, although it had me laughing my ass off, there's far more *truth* to this Facebook post that one might normally expect.

But, then again, there's nothing 'normal' about this current Presidency, now is there?..... 🤖 E

## MORNING SHOW INTERVIEW

- Right now we have \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ what do you make of these allegations from President Trump that President Obama wiretapped the Trump Tower in 2016?
- Well, let's find out. If it happened, let's find out about it.
- Do you think it's true?
- Doesn't matter what I think. President Trump thinks it's possible.
- He said he knows it happened.
- I think he means it might be possible.
- But why does he think that?
- It's not up to me to say why the president thinks something.
- But do you think it's a responsible thing to make that kind of accusation?
- Look, presidents think lots of things. Barack Obama was the president for eight years and lots of things happened during that time.
- Does the president have any proof that President Obama wiretapped Trump Tower?
- Look, in this world, there's the ground, the sky and in between, there's all this air.
- That literally makes no sense. President Trump has accused President Obama of a felony. Does he have proof?
- All I can say is that Latin is a dead language. No one speaks it anymore. So speaking Latin is kind of pointless, don't you think?
- I am totally speaking English. Why did President Trump tweet the accusation that President Obama wiretapped Trump Tower?
- Have you ever been attacked by a puma?
- I have not. Do you think President Obama wiretapped Trump Tower?
- It's more believable than climate change.
- I'm not talking about climate change.
- Well you're just about the only one, then.
- I want to talk about the accusation that President Trump made against President

Obama.

- Black people complain a lot.
- I'm not talking about black people.
- That's kind of racist, don't you think?
  
- Please answer the question.
- I think these are the wrong questions. What about jobs?
  
- I want to talk about the wiretap accusations.
  
- Muslims are dangerous. That's all there is to it.
  
- Stop talking about Muslims.
- There's all kinds of religion in this country and we have to see that immigrants come here to do harm. Let's not be distracted.
  
- I am not distracted. Why did President Trump accuse President Obama of wiretapping Trump Tower?
  
- If you put everything on a sandwich, it becomes harder to appreciate the meat.
  
- Thank you, \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- Thanks, \_\_\_\_\_.

America must certainly be the laughing stock of nations, when we have a President who disdains intelligence briefings presented by some to the best and brightest in their fields, yet readily accepts as god's honest truth the twisted, conspiratorial rantings of Wing Nut extremists such as Mark Levin and the Breitbart site.....

[https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/05/us/politics/trump-twitter-talk-radio-conspiracy-theory.html?\\_r=0](https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/05/us/politics/trump-twitter-talk-radio-conspiracy-theory.html?_r=0)

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**From:** Chris Carson, President, League of Women Voters  
**Subject:** Join Us in Standing Up to Special Interests

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**LWV** LEAGUE OF  
WOMEN VOTERS®  
**MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK**

Elections are being won by small margins, which only highlights that *every vote matters*. But, special interests are attempting to block your vote. The League of Women Voters is committed to stopping special interests and their corporate funders, to make sure your voice is heard, and your vote is counted. We work tirelessly to fight voter suppression tactics and to protect your right to vote.

**Help us fight back against voter suppression schemes pushed by special interests and deep-pocketed corporate funders.**

Each time corporate special interests propose another barrier to voting, the League is there to fight it. These special interests know that when fewer people exercise their right to vote, they are better able to manipulate the outcome in their favor.

**But we stand up to these well-funded special interests!** We fight state-by-state to overturn or oppose discriminatory anti-voter laws. We've led petition drives to get anti-voter legislation before the voters through ballot measures, we've challenged these tactics in court, and we've defeated them through the legislative process.

**Help us preserve your right to vote by supporting the League of Women Voters today!**

We are the most trusted voice, with effective and passionate volunteers working to involve more citizens in elections and advocate for a government that puts people, not special interests, first.

For over 90 years, the League of Women Voters has fought to educate and engage Americans. The League strives to expand participation and give a voice to all Americans. We believe that *people form the basis of a strong democracy*.

**Will you help us make democracy work for all citizens?**

Thank you again for being active participants in our government and helping to make democracy work.



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**From:** Judy Burnnette

**Subject:** FW: Breaking: ICE banned from Chicago churches

**Big news: The Catholic archbishop of Chicago has instructed churches and schools not to voluntarily allow immigration enforcement agents onto their property.**

Cardinal Blase Cupich's letter to priests means that his archdiocese is joining the hundreds of churches around the country who have pledged not to cooperate with immigration enforcement.

Under President Trump, Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents have been pushing the boundaries of preexisting policies on sensitive locations like churches. In one case, they even laid in wait outside a church hypothermia shelter to ambush immigrants as they were leaving.

Let's send a powerful warning to Trump and ICE that our churches are off limits. **Can your church pledge not to cooperate with immigration enforcement?**

Yes, my church or organization is ready to pledge not to cooperate with immigration enforcement.

Maybe. I need to talk to church leaders to get an official decision.

No, but I'll chip in \$5 to support this organizing campaign.

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**From:** tbacane

**Subject:** FW: MUST LISTEN/WATCH !!! Ralph Nader on Trump's Speech to Congress

Ralph on the LEGAL issues Trump is dismantling and/or ignoring, and the regulations he's dumping.....Regulations that keep us safe like the Clean Water Act. Corporate malfeasance will skyrocket once Trump is finished. It's a declaration of WAR against the people starting with GIVING THE PENTAGON MORE MONEY while de-funding social programs supporting LIFE & US! Ralph knows the history, and has been involved in keeping us from succumbing sooner from the DUOPOLY (2 Party) HOAX & 2 STEP. Now we see it, now we don't. XOXO

Ralph Nader on Trump's Speech to Congress - YouTube

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ECECW6VTw>)

Published on Feb 28, 2017

Ralph Nader tells Paul Jay that Trump's attack on the EPA and regulatory agencies will be a disaster

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Also be sure to watch & listen to Bernie! He's become the new & REAL voice of the what's wrong with the heart & soul of this economy & the voice for social & economic justice.

Bernie Sanders' BRILLIANT Response To Trump's Speech To Congress - YouTube

(<https://youtu.be/8eK-5ivYb3o>)

Published on Feb 28, 2017

Bernie Sanders isn't buying what Donald Trump is selling. In his response to the President's first speech before Congress, Sanders calls out Trump for going back on

his campaign promises, lying about corporate tax rates, and continues his push for a single-payer healthcare system.

Reflect this video on your Facebook: <http://tinyurl.com/gsolq4w>

Reflect this video on your Twitter: <http://tinyurl.com/h59e7ap>

Reflect on Facebook <http://on.fb.me/1Oi1dbH>

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**From:** Chris Keck; Enroll America

**Subject:** AMERICAN HEALTH CARE ACT: Legislation Text, ACA Comparison Resources, and Summary Articles

A little less than 24 hours ago the House released their health care legislation, The American Health Care Act. This email includes the text of the bills, tools that compare the ACA to the new plan, and articles that offer analysis.

This email is divided into three sections- legislation text, comparison tools, and articles.

**Legislative Text**

- Ways and Means Committee- [Section by Section American Health Care Act](#)
- Ways and Means Committee- [Press Release](#)
- Energy and Commerce Committee- [Budget Reconciliation Legislative Recommendations Relating to Repeal and Replace of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act](#)

**Comparison Resources**

- Kaiser Family Foundation- [Side by Side ACA and the American Health Care Act](#)
- Kaiser Family Foundation- [Map- Tax Credit Side by Side Comparison](#)
- New York Times- [Parts of Obamacare the Republicans will Keep, Change, or Discard](#)

**Articles**

- Health Affairs- [Examining The House Republican ACA Repeal And Replace Legislation](#)
  - Kaiser Health News- [House GOP Health Bill Jettisons Insurance Mandate, Much Of Medicaid Expansion](#)
  - Vox- [The American Health Care Act: the Republicans' bill to replace Obamacare, explained](#)
  - Wall Street Journal- [Q&A: How the House Plan to Replace Obamacare Would Affect Consumers](#)
  - Washington Post- [Highlights of House GOP health care legislation](#)
  - Fox News- [House Republicans release long-awaited ObamaCare replacement bill](#)
  - LA Times- [Obamacare 101: What's in the House Republicans' replacement plan?](#)
  - Politico- [Who wins and loses under the GOP's Obamacare repeal bill?](#)
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**From:** R. Scott Poppen MD MPA, Vice Chair, Doctors for America  
**Subject:** Action Alert: House GOP Release ACA Repeal Bill

The House Republicans released their bill to repeal and replace major provisions of the ACA on Monday night. We cannot let this bill become law.

Their bill would make it harder for millions of people to afford health coverage. Leaders in Congress want to rush through the process and **make it law by the end of March** without any public hearings or even waiting for a score on cost and impact from the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office.

**The public needs to know what's happening, and the people they trust far more than Congress are doctors and medical students.**

**Send a letter to the editor of your local paper today.**

Health care is complicated, but what doctors and medical students want for our patients is very straightforward. We want our patients and communities to be able to get the health care they need. We want equitable, affordable, high-quality health care to be a basic right for everyone - no matter what your age, income, or health status.

Members of Congress and the Trump administration may claim to be working toward the same goals, but their policies would do the opposite. Here are some important changes the bill would make to the Affordable Care Act:

- **Effectively ends Medicaid expansion** by ending federal funding, starting in 2020; and caps Medicaid payments to states, virtually ensuring the patients that need it most would have reduced access to lifesaving coverage and benefits.
  - **Takes away insurance coverage from millions** by cutting tax credits for lower- and moderate-income people - the people who need assistance the most. Instead of providing tax credits that scale up with financial need (as the ACA does), it would be based primarily on age, which means the lowest income people would see the greatest cuts in their tax credits.
  - **Increases health care costs** for millions by allowing insurance companies to charge seniors five times as much as young people and allowing insurance companies to charge people - including people with pre-existing conditions - 30 percent more if they have any gap in coverage.
  - **Defunds Planned Parenthood** by preventing any federal health care funds to go toward Planned Parenthood's essential services like Pap smears, mammograms, and contraception - even though they are the only provider of these services in many underserved communities.
  - **Provides tax breaks for the wealthiest** by cutting the taxes on the wealthy and the pharmaceutical and insurance industries that have made it possible for lower income Americans to afford health care.
  - **Rolls back progress on preventing chronic disease** by eliminating the Public Health and Prevention Fund, which funds a significant portion of the CDC's budget and important community prevention efforts that target tobacco cessation, improving nutrition, and other evidence-based programs.
  - **Breaks President Trump's promise** of "insurance for everybody."
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This bill would have significant consequences on people's lives in Ohio. **Across Ohio, 635,700 people are covered under Medicaid because the ACA made them newly eligible.** We need to speak up for them now. **In your district (OH\_10), 12,800 people are estimated to be covered by ACA marketplace plans.** They need our voices now.

We cannot let Congress pass this bill. **Write a quick letter to the editor of your local paper now.** Members of Congress read their local papers, and it will make a difference.

Poll after poll shows that the American public trusts doctors far more than members of Congress when it comes to health policies, and for good reason. We joined this profession to help people in their times of need. This is one of those times. Send a letter, and let us know when it gets published!

**DONATE**

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**From:** Judy Burnette

**Subject:** FW: FKTV | "WAC: What You Need to Know About the Vault 7 WikiLeaks Release"

What a day it's been so far - and this is only the beginning! The war within the Deep State seems to be kicking into higher gear, with WikiLeaks' release of what they're calling "Vault 7", in which they reveal how the "CIA's secret hacking division produced a huge amount of weaponized malware to infest iPhone, Android phones - and lost control of it."

Vault 7 was released by WikiLeaks on Tuesday morning, one hour earlier than they'd officially announced on Monday and Julian Assange's press conference was delayed, his "Persiscope+Facebook video stream links are under attack his video press conference will be rescheduled." It appears that WikiLeaks responded by releasing the password to the files ahead of schedule.

WikiLeaks chose to redact and anonymize information on "Tens of thousands of CIA targets and to attack machines throughout Latin America, Europe and the United States" but they proudly note that today's dump, alone "Already eclipses the total number of pages published over the first three years of the Edward Snowden NSA leaks."

According to the main page of WikiLeaks article, the provenance of this archive: "Appears to have been circulated among former US government hackers and contractors in an unauthorized manner, one of whom has provided WikiLeaks with portions of the archive."

Detractors are pointing out that the release has nothing to do with the "clues" it posted to Twitter last month and that that WikiLeaks is probably



compromised, as many believe. Detractors also speculate that this limited hangout is a distraction from the growing scandal over the apparent DC Pedophile ring, revealed by WikiLeaks, prior to becoming "compromised" but this is only the first of many dumps related to Vault 7, so these critiques really can't truly be made until the data from Vault 7 is published in its entirety.

Luke Rudkowski of WeAreChange is all over WikiLeaks' long-awaited release, which he describes as a "Cyber-Electronic 9/11". He does a great job of summarizing the main points that emerged today, including degrees of creepy privacy invasion, which many of us have long suspected but which are now confirmed:

- CIA Can Spy on You Through Your TV and Bypass Your Mobile Encryption Apps
- CIA Catalogues Hack Techniques Used By Other Countries, Including Russia
- NSA Whistleblower Edward Snowden Believes Wikileaks CIA Leaks Are Authentic
- Revelations Give Weight to Theories about the Assassination of journalist, Michael Hastings

If you don't have or want a Twitter account, it might be worth getting a temporary one, just to see the fotonovela of truth bombs getting dropped on WikiLeaks' page, with posts of schematics of how the the agency operates and with WikiLeaks almost comically crowing - with documents to back up their claims that:

- "US Consulate in Frankfurt is a covert CIA hacker base"
- "CIA hackers celebrated what they saw as the financial largesse of Obama towards them with 'Make It Rain'" (Hip Hop slang for money dropping out of the sky)
- "Don't want to pay for Windows? The CIA's hackers have a pirate guide to skip product key activation"
- "CIA illicitly hoarded 'zero day' attacks, putting at risk industry, government and even Trump's Twitter account"

Posts from Edward Snowden, which were either retweeted by WikiLeaks

or directed by him at WikiLeaks's account, include: "The CIA reports show the USG developing vulnerabilities in US products, then intentionally keeping the holes open. Reckless beyond words."

On Snowden's own account, he tweeted, "Imagine a world where the actual CIA spends its time figuring out how to spy on you through your TV. That's today".

An earlier tweet about how one would have had to have been read-in to a particular program, in order to know the details revealed appears to now have been deleted.

Let the detractors detract. We've never seen anything like this and it's a beautiful thing.

WAC: What You Need to Know About the Vault 7 WikiLeaks Release

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**From:** CLG\_News

**Subject:** Vault 7: CIA Hacking Tools Revealed

**News Updates from CLG on 08 March 2017, <http://www.legitgov.org/>**

All links are here: [http://www.legitgov.org/#breaking\\_news](http://www.legitgov.org/#breaking_news)

**Vault 7: CIA Hacking Tools Revealed --CIA[ciopaths'] malware targets Windows, OSX, Linux, routers** | 07 March 2017 | Today, Tuesday 7 March 2017, WikiLeaks begins its new series of leaks on the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. Code-named "Vault 7" by WikiLeaks, it is the largest ever publication of confidential documents on the agency. The first full part of the series, "Year Zero", comprises 8,761 documents and files from an isolated, high-security network situated inside the CIA's Center for Cyber Intelligence in Langley, Virginia. It follows an introductory disclosure last month of CIA targeting French political parties and candidates in the lead up to the 2012 presidential election. **Recently, the CIA lost control of the majority of its hacking arsenal including malware, viruses, tr-jans, weaponized "zero day" exploits, malware remote control systems and associated documentation...** The CIA also runs a very substantial effort to infect and control Microsoft Windows users with its malware...Attacks against Internet infrastructure and web servers are developed by the CIA's Network Devices Branch (NDB).

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On Snowden's own account, he tweeted, "Imagine a world where the actual CIA spends its time figuring out how to spy on you through your TV. That's today".

An earlier tweet about how one would have had to have been read-in to a particular program, in order to know the details revealed appears to now have been deleted.

Let the detractors detract. We've never seen anything like this and it's a beautiful thing.

WAC: What You Need to Know About the Vault 7 WikiLeaks Release

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**WikiLeaks posts huge CIA hacking trove** | 08 March 2017 | The CIA has suffered what appears to be a massive security breach with WikiLeaks dumping thousands of confidential documents detailing the spy agency's global hacking abilities. The CIA documents published by WikiLeaks show how the CIA has managed to read popular encrypted apps, signal and telegram by breaking into phones to intercept messages before the encryption is applied. WikiLeaks, headed by Australian Julian Assange, claimed that its leaked data includes hundreds of millions of line of code that includes the CIA's "entire hacking capability."

**White House calls for investigation into claims Obama ordered 'wiretap' on Trump** | 05 March 2017 | The White House has called for the US Congress to investigate President Donald Trump's claim Barack Obama ordered Trump Tower to be "wiretapped" during the US election. In a series of tweets, White House press secretary Sean Spicer called Mr Trump's allegation, for which he has provided no evidence, "very troubling". He said Mr Trump is requesting Congress examine whether "executive investigative powers were abused" during the 2016 election campaign, as part of an ongoing congressional probe into Russia's influence on the election.

**Trump ratchets up Obama attack with wiretapping allegation** | 04 March 2017 | President Trump ratcheted up his attacks on his predecessor Saturday, with his allegation that former President Obama ordered surveillance of the real estate mogul before the November election sparking confusion and backlash ... At least two Republicans, Sen. Ben Sasse (Neb.) and Rep. Justin Amash (Mich.), called on Trump to provide more information about his allegation. Sasse noted any such wiretap would have taken place with authorization from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and "an application for surveillance exists that the court found credible."

**Paper says Comey asks DOJ to reject Trump claim** | 05 March 2017 | The New York Times is reporting that the director of the FBI has asked the Justice Department to publicly reject President Donald Trump's assertion that Barack Obama as president ordered the tapping of Trump's phones during the presidential campaign.

**Trump Inherits a Secret Cyberwar Against North Korea** | 04 March 2017 | Three years ago, President Barack Obama ordered Pentagon officials to step up their cyber and electronic strikes against North Korea's missile program in hopes of sabotaging test launches in their opening seconds. Soon a large number of the North's military rockets began to explode, veer off course, disintegrate in midair and plunge into the sea. But [some] experts have grown

increasingly skeptical of the new approach, arguing that manufacturing errors, disgruntled insiders and sheer incompetence can also send missiles awry.

**North Korea fires four ballistic missiles into sea near Japan** | 06 March 2017 | North Korea fired four ballistic missiles into the sea off Japan's northwest coast early on Monday, South Korean and Japanese officials said, days after the reclusive state promised retaliation over U.S.-South Korea military drills it sees as a preparation for war. South Korea's military said the missiles were unlikely to have been intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBM) which could reach the United States, but flew on average 1,000 km (600 miles) and reached a height of 260 km (160 miles).

**Intel report: 121 former Guantanamo prisoners returned to terrorism** | 07 March 2017 | The Office of the Director of National Intelligence released updated figures on former Guantanamo Bay prisoners suspected or confirmed of re-engaging with terrorism Tuesday, showing a small shift in the figures since September. According to the updated data released Tuesday, the intelligence community has confirmed that a total of 121 former detainees have re-engaged in terrorism. That number is a one-person drop since the previous report, released in September, which listed 122 prisoners as confirmed terrorists.

**Germany arrests 2 Syrian migrants; one suspected of killing 36 with terror group** | 02 March 2017 | German police arrested two Syrian migrants linked to the [John McCain-backed] Syrian terror group al-Nusra Front, which morphed into Fatah al-Sham Front in 2013. A 35-year-old man identified as Abdalfatah H.A. was arrested Wednesday in Düsseldorf, and a 26-year-old identified as Abdulrahman A.A. was arrested Thursday in Giessen. The former is suspected of killing 36 people prior to arriving in Germany, Deutsche Welle reported Thursday.

**Disgraced journalist charged over bomb threats to U.S. Jewish groups** | 03 March 2017 | A disgraced former journalist was charged on Friday with making a wave of bomb threats to Jewish organizations while posing as an ex-girlfriend in retaliation for breaking up with him. Juan Thompson, 31, was arrested in St. Louis, the first case to emerge from a federal investigation into a surge of threats against Jewish Community Centers (JCCs) and schools that has rattled American Jews...U.S. authorities are examining more than 100 threats made against JCCs by phone this year, which appear unrelated to the Thompson allegations.

**Trump signs revised travel ban in bid to overcome legal challenges** | 06 March 2017 | President Donald Trump signed a revised executive order on Monday banning citizens from six Muslim-majority nations from traveling to the United States but removing Iraq from the list, after his controversial first attempt was blocked in the courts. The new order, which takes effect on March 16, keeps a 90-day ban on travel to the United States by citizens of Iran, Libya, Syria, Somalia, Sudan and Yemen. It applies only to new visa applicants, meaning some 60,000 people whose visas were revoked under the previous order will now be permitted to enter.

**'Like McCarthyism': Lavrov slams US 'witch hunt-like' scrutiny of Russian ambassador's contacts** | 03 March 2017 | With Russian Ambassador to the USA Sergey Kislyak's contacts with members of the Trump administration under scrutiny, Moscow won't apply a tit-for-tat approach to US Ambassador to Russia John Tefft, Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov promised. Lavrov said the whole situation resembled the days of McCarthyism. [It does.] Kislyak recently found himself under the US media spotlight with reports of his communications, first with former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn and then with Attorney-General Jeff Sessions.

**US House intel panel approves scope of probe into 'Russian activities in US elections'** | 02 March 2017 | The House Intelligence Committee has agreed on parameters of its investigation of alleged Russian meddling into the 2016 presidential election. Without naming President Donald Trump in its announcement, the panel said it would look into "links between Russia and individuals associated with political campaigns or any other U.S. Persons." House Intelligence Chairman Devin Nunes (R) and ranking member Rep. Adam Schiff (D), both of California, agreed on the terms of the investigation, according to an announcement Wednesday evening.

**Pro-Trump, anti-Trump protesters clash in Berkeley** | 04 March 2017 | Arguments heated up in Berkeley as demonstrators on both sides of the debate over President Donald Trump's policies clashed Saturday afternoon. People participating in the "March 4 Trump" demonstration to show support for President Trump were met by members of the group "By Any Means Necessary," and other protesters, which had planned a counter-demonstration. Berkeley police officers were keeping a close eye on the demonstrations, but video shared on Twitter showed shouting matches erupting and getting physical between the two groups.

**Trump: Sessions 'did not say anything wrong'** | 02 March 2017 | President Donald Trump stood by Attorney General Jeff Sessions on

Thursday, releasing a statement saying Sessions did not make any misleading statements under oath during his confirmation hearings, but that he could have been more accurate in his responses to lawmakers. "Jeff Sessions is an honest man. He did not say anything wrong. He could have stated his response more accurately, but it was clearly not intentional," Trump said.

**Dem lawmaker apologizes for crude remark about Kellyanne Conway |** 05 March 2017 | A Democratic congressman apologized Sunday for a joke he made about a controversial photo featuring Counselor to the President Kellyanne Conway. Richmond, a Louisiana Democrat and chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, made the remark at the Washington Press Club Foundation's congressional dinner Wednesday evening. During his speech, Richmond referenced a controversial photo showing Conway kneeling on an Oval Office couch during a gathering.

**Kellyanne Conway slams Democratic congressman for his demeaning joke that she looked 'familiar' on her knees on the Oval Office couch -- Conway vented her disappointment in his 'sexist, unfunny' joke on Twitter |** 03 March 2017 | A Democratic congressman has sparked outrage by joking that Kellyanne Conway looked 'familiar' on her knees on the Oval Office couch. Cedric Richmond, the congressman for the 2nd District of Louisiana, made the joke at a dinner in Washington DC on Wednesday. 'She really looked kind of familiar in that position there,' said Richmond, he told the Washington Press Club Foundation Dinner awkwardly as he delivered his speech. Conway took to Twitter to say she was outraged by the 'sexist and unfunny', sharing her disappointment that not more people felt the same. Richmond drew hardly any laughs as he delivered the joke on Wednesday night.

**Polls show Trump doing well, despite media's narrative |** 01 March 2017 | Recent polling numbers bode well for President Trump, despite the media's narrative. Shame of it is, you likely haven't heard or read much about them as media coverage ignores any positive news as it pertains to this president. "The default narrative is always negative, and it's demoralizing," Sean Spicer said. "When we're right, say we're right. When we're wrong, say we're wrong. But it's not always wrong and negative." ...Are positive stories about the Trump administration falling victim to the bias of omission?

**Dow breaks above 21,000 as stocks hit all-time highs after Trump's speech; financials lead |** 01 March 2017 | U.S. equities traded sharply higher on Wednesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average climbing above 21,000 for the first time, on the back of President Donald Trump's speech to

Congress. Trump's speech, which was delivered Tuesday night, was widely praised for its positive tone but lacked specifics about tax reform and deregulation, two key components of the market's postelection rally. The Dow advanced more than 200 points with Goldman Sachs contributing the most gains. The 30-stock index first closed above 20,000 on Jan. 25.

**President Trump's Congress speech - full text | 28 Feb 2017 |**  
**PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP'S ADDRESS TO A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS**

Remarks as prepared for delivery. (Transcript)

**Robots sent to clean up Fukushima nuclear site keep dying due to sky-high levels of radiation |**  
**05 March 2017 |** A Japanese company tasked with cleaning up Fukushima, the site of the worst nuclear disaster since Chernobyl, has admitted that its attempts to probe the site are failing repeatedly due to incredibly high levels of radiation...The latest attempt to harvest data on Fukushima failed after a robot designed by Toshiba to withstand high radiation levels died five times faster than expected. The robot was supposed to be able to cope with 73 sieverts of radiation, but the radiation level inside the reactor was recently recorded at 530 sieverts. A single dose of one sievert is enough to cause radiation sickness and nausea; 5 sieverts would kill half those exposed to it within a month, and a single dose of 10 sieverts would prove fatal within weeks.

**Cuomo's decision-makers skip multi-billion dollar bailout hearing on three failing N.Y. nuclear reactors --Taxpayers to fork over several billion dollars in corporate welfare | 06 March 2017 |** A state-approved bailout of three upstate nuclear power plants was the focus of a legislative hearing Monday, but New York's top energy officials declined to attend. The state Assembly held a hearing Monday on the state's "zero-emissions credit" plan, which kicks in on April 1 and will **require ratepayers across the state to pay several billion dollars over 12 years to keep open the three aging plants**, including the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant near Rochester. The hearing, however, was absent the key decision-makers in Gov. Andrew Cuomo's (D) administration who were behind the initiative.

**Bird flu found in Tennessee chicken flock on Tyson-contracted farm | 06 March 2017 |** A strain of bird flu has been detected in a chicken breeder flock on a Tennessee farm contracted to U.S. food giant Tyson Foods Inc, and the 73,500 birds will be culled to stop the virus from entering the food system, government and company officials said on Sunday. The U.S. Department of Agriculture said this represented the first confirmed case of highly pathogenic



H7 avian influenza (HPAI) in commercial poultry in the United States this year. It is the first time HPAI has been found in Tennessee, the state government said.

**Britain detects bird flu on premises in eastern England | 03 March 2017 |** Britain said on Friday it had detected bird flu on premises in eastern England during routine checks carried out following the confirmation of the virus at a nearby farm. The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (Defra) said the virus had been detected on the separate premises after a confirmed case of H5N8 avian flu was found at a poultry farm near Redgrave in Suffolk. Defra said the UK's Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer had said the proactive culling of around 55,000 birds would take place to prevent the spread of the virus which has been found in wild and farmed birds in the UK since December 2016.

**G.O.P. Repeal Bill Would Cut Funding for Poor and Taxes on Rich | 06 March 2017 |** Republicans in the House have performed major surgery on the Obamacare replacement plan they circulated a few weeks ago. But compared with the Affordable Care Act, the new plan still shifts a lot of benefits from the poor to those who earn more. Legislative language for what House leaders call the American Health Care Act, released Monday evening, would substantially cut back funding to states that cover poor adults through their Medicaid program. It would cut back on financial assistance for relatively low-income insurance shoppers above the poverty line. It would offer new financial benefits for the upper-middle-class and the rich.

**Supreme Court scraps case on transgender bathroom rights | 06 March 2017 |** The Supreme Court on Monday sent a dispute over a Virginia transgender student's bathroom access back to a lower court, without reaching a decision. The court vacated the current dispute after the Trump administration withdrew support for an Obama administration order supporting transgender students. In returning the case, the justices opted not to decide whether a federal anti-discrimination law gives high school senior Gavin Grimm the right to use the boys' bathroom in his school.

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**Eleven U.S. states to drop suit over transgender bathroom order | 02**

March 2017 | Eleven U.S. states have agreed to drop a lawsuit against an Obama administration order for transgender students to use bathrooms of their choice after the measure was revoked by President Donald Trump, a court filing showed on Thursday. In a filing in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, the U.S. Justice Department said the states, led by Texas, had agreed to drop the lawsuit, and it was dropping its appeal against a federal judge's August stay on the Obama directive. In their suit in May, the states said Democratic President Barack Obama's administration overstepped its authority by ordering public schools to let transgender students use bathrooms matching their gender identity, rather than their birth gender, or risk losing federal funding.

**Poachers break into Paris zoo, shoot rhino dead and steal its horn --**  
**Four-year-old rhinoceros named Vince found with three bullets to head at Thoiry Zoo | 07 March 2017 |** A rhinoceros at a zoo near Paris was shot three times in the head on Monday night by poachers who then cut off its horn with a chainsaw. The four-year-old rhinoceros, named Vince, was found dead by keepers at Thoiry Zoo, to the west of the French capital. One or more poachers are believed to have broken in to the zoo and forced their way into an enclosure where three rhinos lived, reported *Le Parisien*. [A thousand pities it wasn't the \*poachers\* with the three bullets to their heads instead of the rhino.]

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**Subject:** Update on the National Endowment for the Arts



Dear Colleagues,

Unfortunately, speculation that President Donald Trump would propose eliminating the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) has proven to be true. In his official budget request, President Trump has asked the U.S. Congress to zero out the NEA's budget.

Although this news is disappointing, we are nowhere near the end of the road for the NEA or public support of the arts. Consider the following:

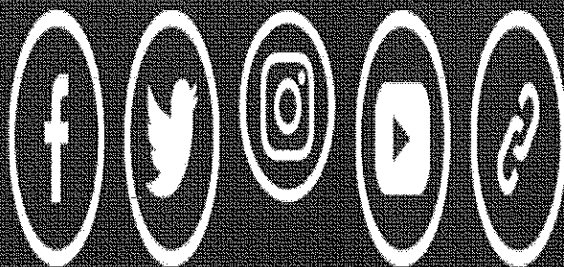
National Arts Advocacy Day is especially well-timed this year. On March 20-21—that's this coming Monday and Tuesday—arts supporters from across the nation will descend on Washington to make their voices heard. For more resources and information on how you can be an effective arts advocate, get in touch with our state's arts advocacy organization, Ohio Citizens for the Arts, or get involved at the federal level through Americans for the Arts.

Stay calm, remain strong, and be confident. The NEA has weathered these types of debates before, and together, the arts community will persevere.

Until next time,

*Donna S. Collins*

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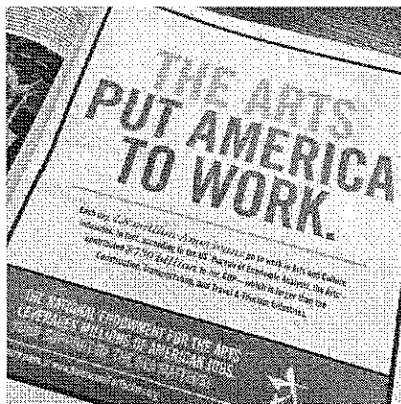
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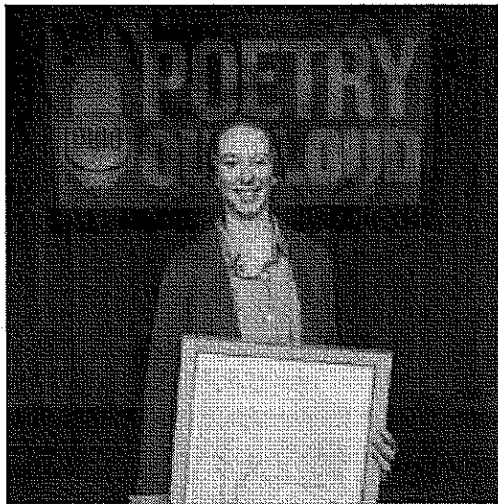


As you know, last Thursday, President Donald Trump proposed eliminating the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in his budget request to Congress. Without delay, advocates for the arts snapped into action to defend the importance of public funding for the arts.

Here at the Ohio Arts Council (OAC), we proudly carried the same message to Washington—public funding for the

arts through the National Endowment for the Arts is essential.

## KEEP READING DONNA'S MESSAGE



### MEET THE 2017 OHIO *POETRY OUT LOUD* STATE CHAMPION

Madeleine Schroeder, a senior at Columbus Alternative High School, won Ohio's 12th annual *Poetry Out Loud* State Finals held on March 4. She goes on to represent Ohio in the National Finals in Washington, D.C., April 25-26. Congrats and good luck to Maddie!

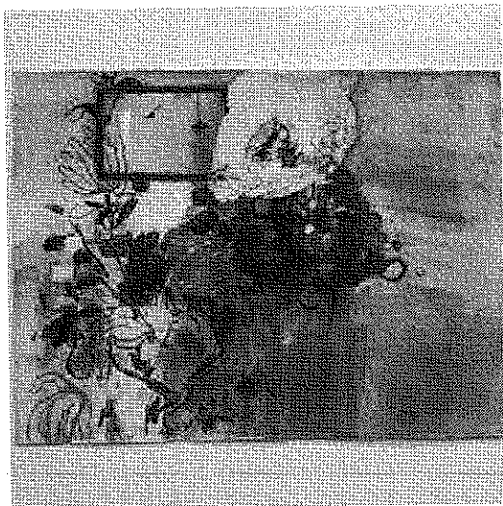


### SOCIAL IMPACT INVESTING: THE DICK & JANE PROJECT

As part of an ongoing blog series with The Wells Foundation, Patrick Westerlund interviews Ben Shinabery, founder of the Dick & Jane Project, in this month's creative spotlight. Learn more about the organization and how alternative funding models fuel their success.

MORE ABOUT THE 2017  
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Experiences, the lessons learned and communicated, are the concepts that drive the current exhibition *Come Along With Me*. In this series, Kim Webb, Riffe Gallery fellow, interviews three of the exhibited artists to hear their story. First up is Dan Jian.



OHIO HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES STUDENT  
ART EXHIBITION

Artwork from each of the 99 districts of the Ohio House of Representatives is featured in this annual exhibition. [Check out photos](#) from the March 4 ceremony that honored the achievement and creativity of the 2017 student artists.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE  
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**RIFFE GALLERY ARTIST  
INTERVIEW WITH DAN JIAN**

**SPOTLIGHT ON THE 2017  
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Get to know the winners through the words of their supporters. Head to the

ArtsOhio blog to learn more about [Raymond Bobgan](#), [Jim McCutcheon](#), [SMARTS](#), and [Puffin Foundation West](#).

Posts will continue to be published as we count down to the luncheon on May

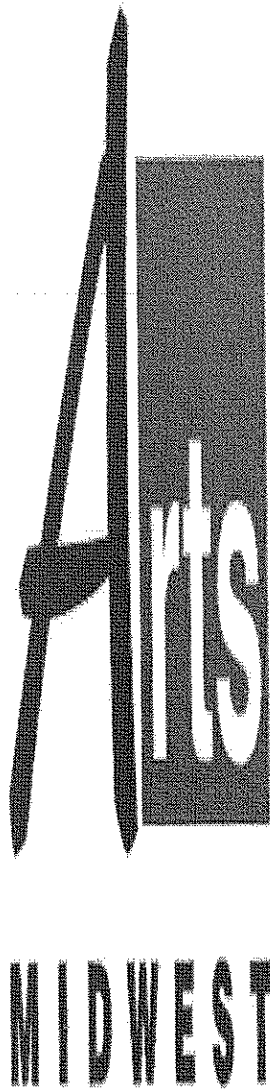
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REMINDER | MARCH 28 WEBINAR WITH ARTS  
MIDWEST

Tune in on Tuesday, March 28, 1:30-2:30 p.m. to discover funding and learning opportunities with Arts Midwest, including the Arts Midwest Booking and Education Conference and the Arts Midwest Touring Fund. Can't listen in? [Subscribe to the OAC's YouTube Channel](#) and watch the recording.



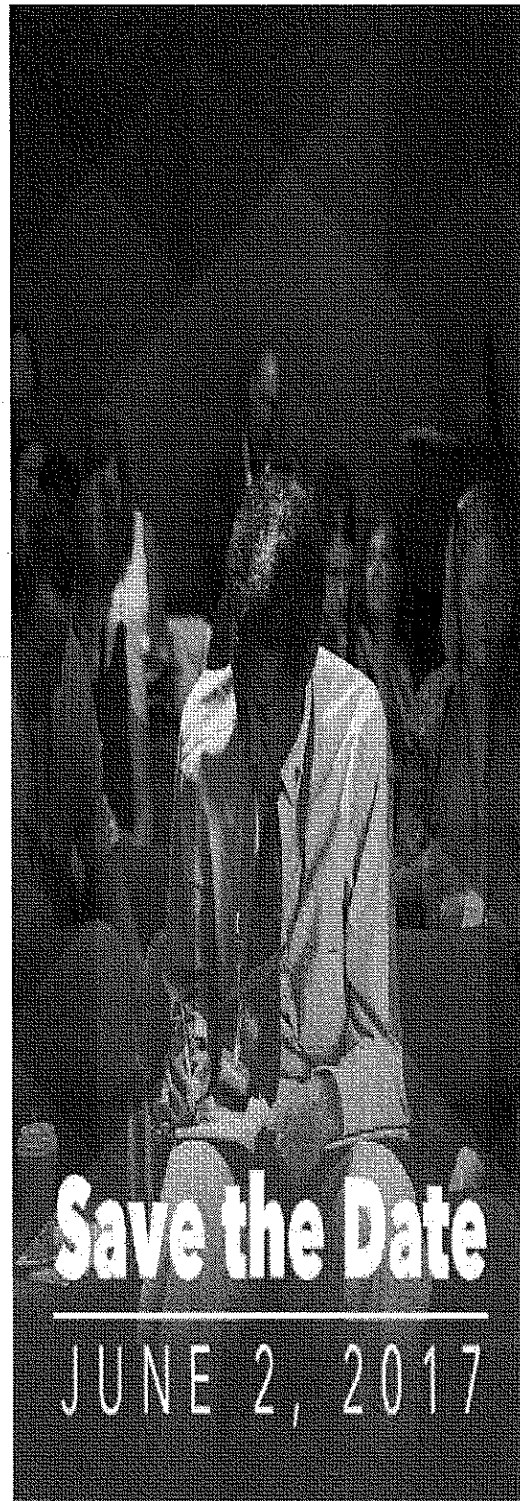
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*Art Unites Us*. Topics include fundraising,  
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[causecollab.com](http://causecollab.com) for a full schedule,  
sponsorship opportunities, and a look at  
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### Mark Your Calendar

April 3: ArtSTART Deadline and Sustainability Year 3 Updates Due  
April 5: OAC Spring Board Meeting  
April 6: Arts Access Panel Meeting  
April 7: Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Panel Meeting  
Arts Partnership | Day One  
April 12: Arts Partnership | Day Two  
April 18: ArtsNEXT | Day One  
April 19: ArtsNEXT | Day Two  
April 24: *Poetry Out Loud* National Finals in Washington D.C.

### Happening in the OAC Riffe Gallery

Drop-in during lunch for **FREE** workshops with Melissa Vogely-Woods during the *Come Along With Me* exhibition. All levels welcome!

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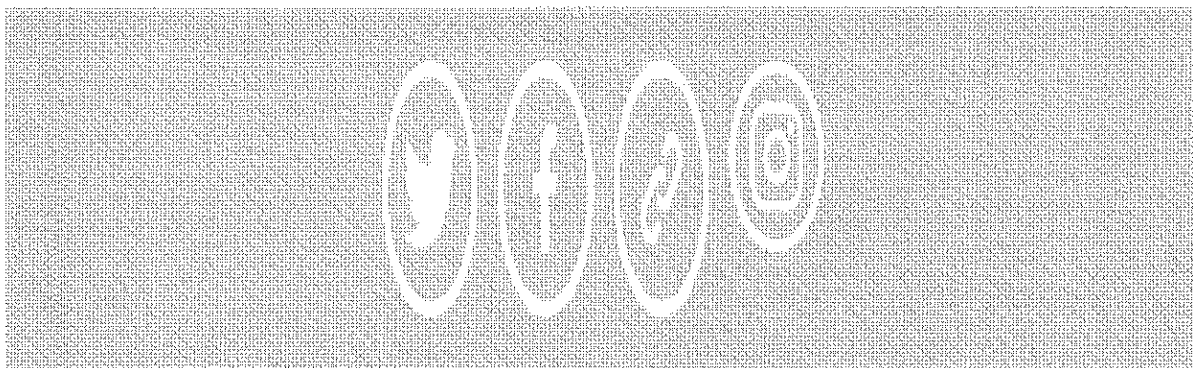
March 29: Personal narrative tree project  
April 5: Stitched book binding workshop  
April 12: Narrative-based collage project

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### Coming Soon | Lobby Exhibition

March 28 - April 3: *The Collage of Women Artists*  
Artwork by female amateur and professional artists who grow, show, and paint together.

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Message :

As an Ohioan for the past sixteen years, I have long been proud of the importance the state puts on its public library system. My son has practically grown up at our local library. Ever since he was small, I've taken him to library programs to meet new people, take classes, and get exposed to new ideas through books and other media. I frequently patronize several libraries in my area, participating in poetry readings, book discussions, and check out material through branches and their on-line digital libraries. I attend writing conferences, meet-the-author events, and other activities that are educational, social, and important for making contacts as I endeavor to become a professionally published author.

So when I tell you that I am very upset to hear the Public Library Fund is being reduced, I am speaking as someone for whom Ohio's library programs are absolutely vital. I am speaking not just as someone who has chosen to move to Ohio and raise my family here, but as someone whose life is significantly richer because of the range of library programs and resources available.

In the current political climate, I realize that necessary cuts must be made to balance the budget. However, cutting the funding to a widely-used and necessary public resource, one that promotes community ties and opens up opportunities for Ohioans through accessible educational opportunities, would be counterproductive.

Now that the NEA is under threat of federal cuts, statewide support is needed for our greatest public resource--the public library system. Please do not further cut funding to one of the most important resources that our great state of Ohio has to offer; I urge you to support Rep. Marlene Anielski's (R-Walton Hills) amendment to protect the PLF at 1.68% so that it is not reduced to 1.66% of the General Revenue Fund.

I have faith that as a duly elected state representative, you take your duty to the public interest seriously and will protect the Public Library Fund. Thank you

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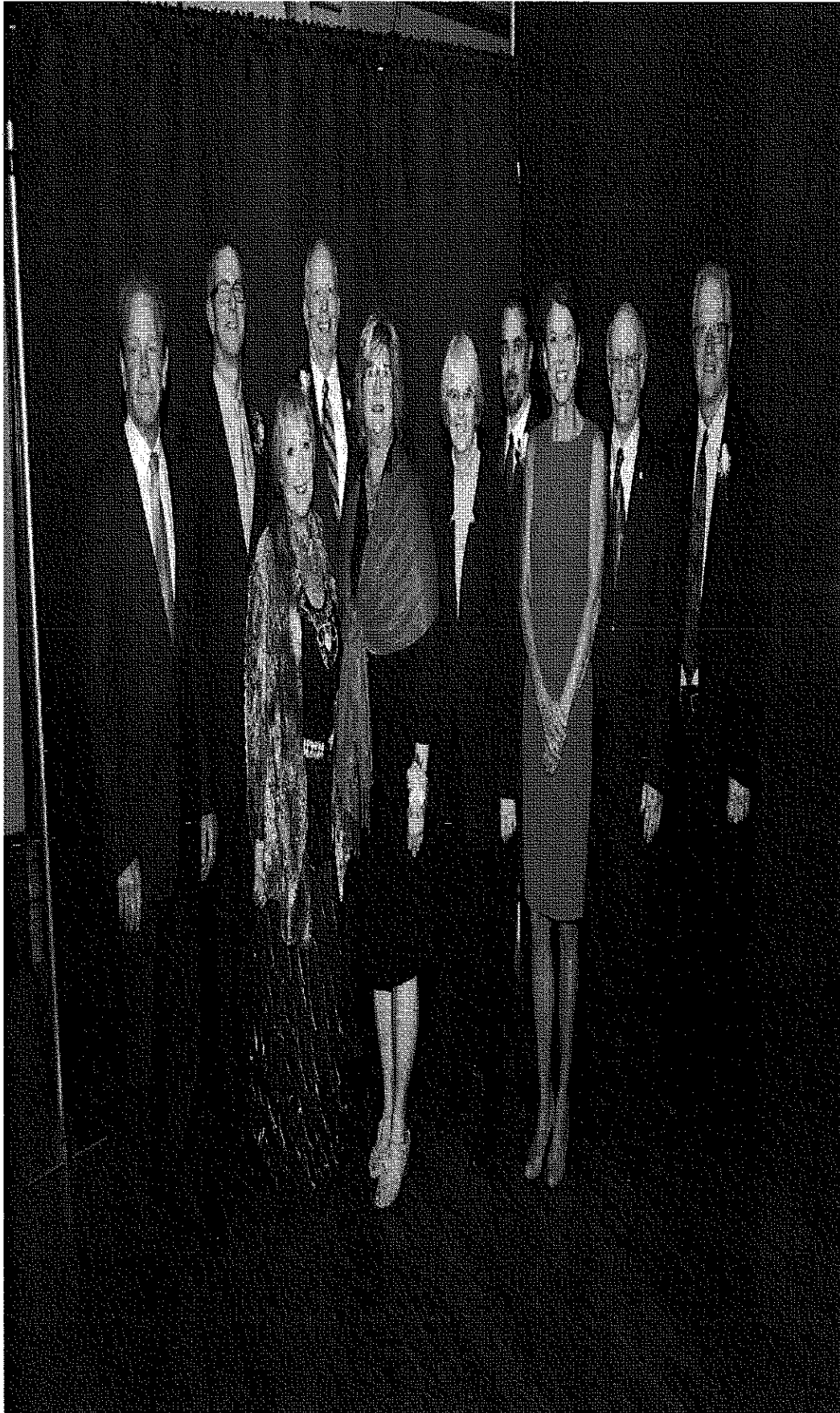


For the current federal fiscal year, Congress passed and the President signed a budget to increase funding for the National Endowment for the Arts. However, for the next fiscal year, the President's proposal to eliminate the NEA looms. OAC Executive

Director Donna S. Collins writes about what you can do to protect federal funding for the arts.

**READ DONNA'S MESSAGE**

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## GOVERNOR'S AWARDS FOR THE ARTS LUNCHEON PHOTOS

On May 17, nearly 700 people came together at the Columbus Athenaeum to celebrate Ohio artists, arts organizations, arts patrons, business supporters, and other leaders in the arts. Nine individuals and organizations received Governor's Awards and Karen Waldbillig Kasich received the William R. Joseph Ohio Arts Advocacy Medal.

**CHECK OUT THE GOVERNOR'S AWARDS PHOTO ALBUM**

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**2017 *POL* NATIONAL FINALS IN  
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Madeleine Schroeder, a senior at Columbus Alternative High School, competed in the 2017 *Poetry Out Loud (POL)* National Finals at the Lisner Auditorium in Washington, D.C., on April 25. Congratulations to Maddy for her efforts!

**INFO ON POL NATIONAL  
FINALS**



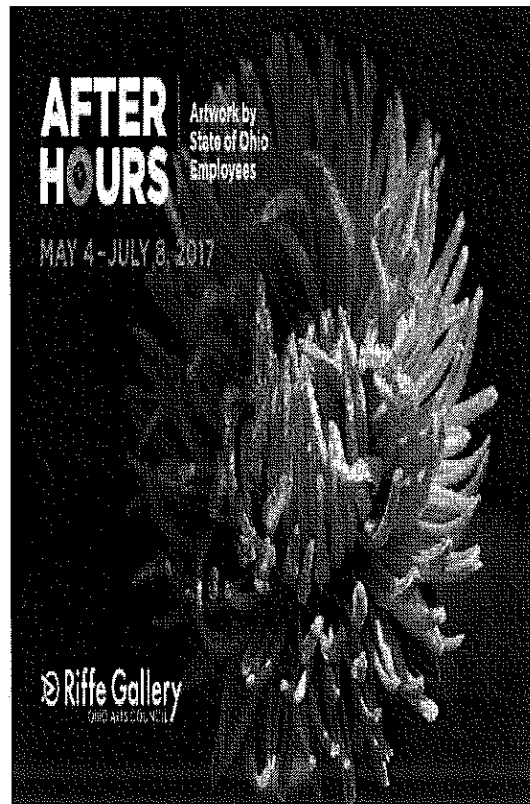
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**NOMINATE TODAY**



#### WHEN MARKETING ISN'T ENOUGH

Christy Farnbauch, director of innovation and engagement, reflects on a recent workshop and shares her thoughts on improving the customer experience to keep people coming back.



#### AFTER HOURS EXHIBITION OPEN

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## CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE BLOG

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## UPCOMING WEBINARS

### **Click. Click. Done: Developing Your Google Analytics Skills**

Today: Ceci Dadisman and Drew McManus will take us through the nuts and bolts of metrics to better understand the reporting tools inside Google Analytics. All attendees will receive step-by-step guides for creating custom reports, copies of all presentation materials, and the chance to implement skills in real time. There's still time to [register](#)!

### **Game Changed: DIY Video Editing on a Smartphone**

June 22, 1:30 p.m.: Join Beth Menduni to learn to edit your video message with Adobe Spark's FREE video editing app. This informational webinar will teach you how to edit photos and videos into a story and post them on social media. This is a must attend session for organizations and individual artists on a shoestring budget wanting to increase their DIY skills. [Register](#) today!

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FOR ARTISTS | Upcoming Grant Deadlines

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- [Artists with Disabilities Access Program \(ADAP\) - Individuals](#) | Support for Individual Artists with Disabilities
- [Artists with Disabilities Access Program \(ADAP\) - Organizations](#) | Support for the Organizations that Serve Artists with Disabilities

**CONTACTS:** Brianna Dance, Organizational Programs Coordinator,  
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## FOR ORGANIZATIONS | Upcoming Grant Deadlines

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JUNE 1

- Building Cultural Diversity (BCD) | Supports new and emerging organizations whose mission, programs, staff and board represent culturally diverse communities
- Capacity Building (CB) | Support for organizations' efforts to improve business practices, or add new knowledge and skills that forward organizations' missions

**CONTACTS:** Brianna Dance, Organizational Programs Coordinator,  
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## FOR ALL | Deadlines & Dates to Remember

**Happening in the OAC Riffe Gallery**  
Drop-in during lunch for **FREE** workshops

## Mark Your Calendar

June 22: Game Changed: DIY Video

Editing on a Smartphone Webinar

July 19: Summer Board Meeting

with artists featured in the *After Hours* exhibition. All levels welcome!

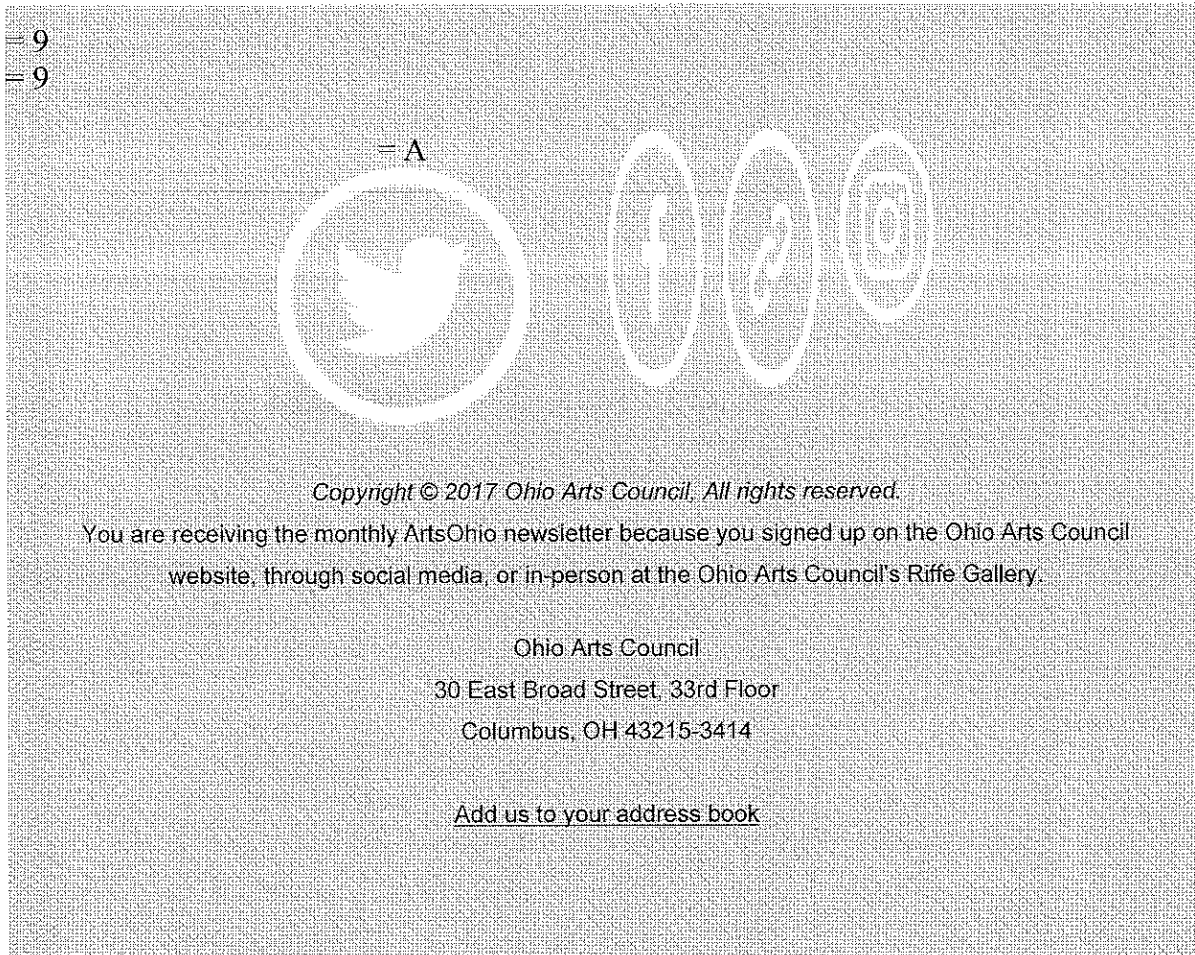
May 25: Polymer Clay Sculptures

June 1: Beading Embroidery

June 1: Tackling the Ten-Minute Play

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**Subject:** June | Partnership, Poetry, & More

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Keep an eye on upcoming webinars, open nominations and registrations, and the story of a successful partnership.

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**PARTNERSHIP ABOUNDS WITH STUDENT ARTISTS AND STATE AGENCIES**



On June 2, the Ohio Arts Council brought together students, artists, and arts and civil rights leaders for the opening of the 2017-2018 *Ohio Civil Rights Exhibition*. OAC Executive Director Donna S. Collins writes about the partnership involved to bring 39 art works to the Rhodes State Office Tower.

**READ DONNA'S MESSAGE**

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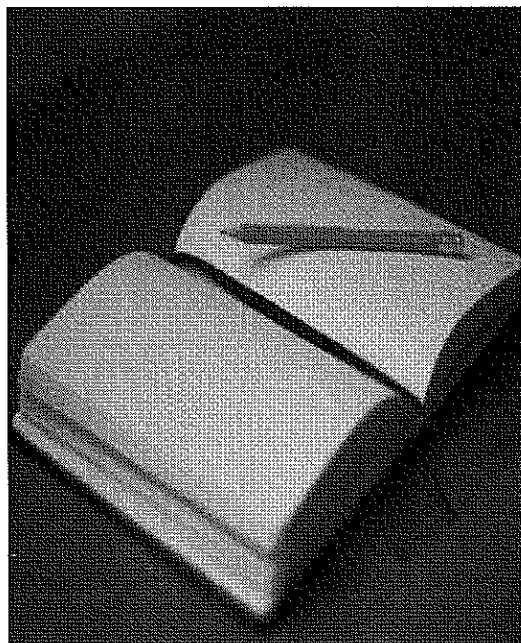
**2018 POL SCHOOL  
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

School registration is now open for the 2017-2018 *Ohio Poetry Out Loud*. Participation in *POL* is completely free and open to all Ohio high schools, including registration, program materials, workshops, and contests. Registration is open through winter.

**REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL**



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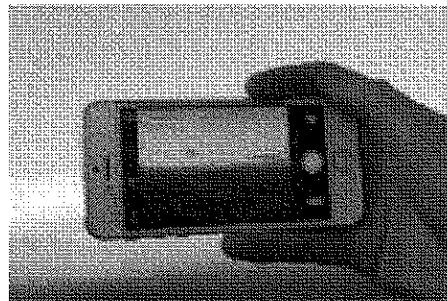
**NOMINATE TODAY**



## SHAKESPEARE IN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES OHIO GRANTEES

On May 31, Arts Midwest  
announced the 2017-2018  
Shakespeare in American  
Communities grants. Both Cincinnati  
Shakespeare Company and Great  
Lakes Theater in Cleveland received  
grants that will allow them to present  
a Shakespearean production to local  
students.

READ ABOUT THE  
GRANTEES



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## **NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS AWARDS MORE THAN \$1.2M TO OHIO RECIPIENTS**

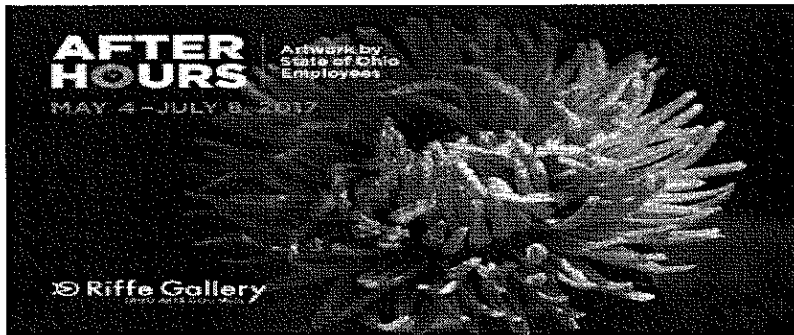
The National Endowment for the Arts has announced a total of \$1,275,500 in grants to be awarded to 19 arts-related organizations across Ohio, including \$965,500 going to the Ohio Arts Council to help support arts initiatives across the state. This is the eighth year in a row that the OAC has earned the second-highest partnership agreement grant.

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**LEARN MORE ABOUT OHIO'S NEA GRANT RECIPIENTS**

## HAPPENING AT THE RIFFE GALLERY

### CURRENTLY ON VIEW



#### After Hours

Modeled after the OAC Riffe Gallery's 1989 exhibition showcasing the work of Vern Riffe Center employees, this exhibition features artwork by 43 public servants across Ohio. The exhibition is now on display through July 8. [Read Riffe Gallery fellow Kim Webb's recent interview with After Hours artist Jennifer Whitten.](#)

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### COMING SOON



#### OHIO: The Start of it All

Curated by Dan Chudzinski of the University of Findlay's Mazza Museum, the exhibition consists of 60 original children's book illustrations based on people, places, inventions, and more related to the great state of Ohio. [Read the OAC Riffe Gallery's recent announcement for the \*OHIO: The Start of it All\* Exhibition.](#)

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## FOR ALL | Deadlines & Dates to Remember

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#### Mark Your Calendar

June 22: Game Changed: DIY Video Editing on a Smartphone Webinar

#### Happening in the OAC Riffe Gallery

The OAC's Riffe Gallery is pleased to offer FREE tours for groups of up to 40 of *OHIO: The Start of it All*. Exhibition tours will be available July 31 through

July 5: Ohio Poet Laureate Nomination Deadline  
July 19: Summer Board Meeting

October 12. For specific tour days and times,  
contact OAC Riffe Gallery Director Mary Gray at  
mary.gray@oac.ohio.gov or 614-728-2239.

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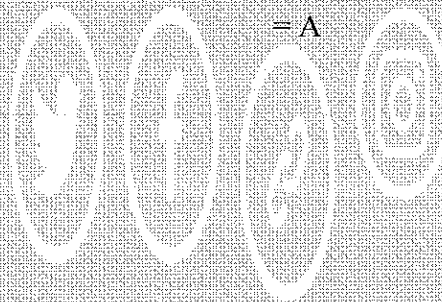
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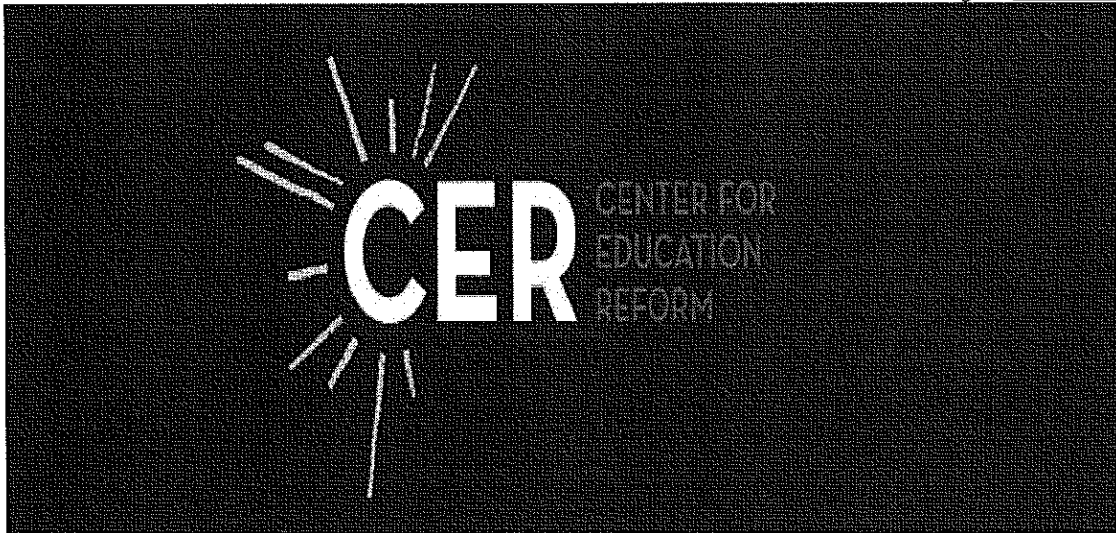
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**A SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.** While the establishment and others are crowing over charter schools and trying regulate, slow or limit their growth, you may want to pause a moment to read the *Wall Street Journal* piece, "Charter Schools Are Flourishing on Their Silver Anniversary." As we noted last week, City Academy, the nation's first charter school opened in St. Paul, Minn. on Sept. 8, 1992. "Since then (charters) have spread and proven their success [as today] some 7,000 of these schools serve about three million students around the U.S." Let's take this occasion to remember just

what the charter movement is all about: Freedom, innovation and opportunity for kids; not bureaucracy, the status quo, or a 19th century model of education. It's talked about in CER's book, released this summer, Charting a New Course – The Case for Freedom, Flexibility & Opportunity Through Charter Schools. Another great source is the numerous important research and analysis done by the Godfather of charter schools, Ted Kolderie, his work available at [educationevolving.org](http://educationevolving.org).

**UNION WATCH.** Exercising lobbying muscle and throwing around political weight the NEA and AFT have long been a roadblock to change, a maddening thorn in the side of education reformers and pro-opportunity advocates, and a sharp-clawed force to be feared by anyone with political ambitions. But all across the country – in some very unlikely places – leaders are standing up to the unions and dramatically changing the dynamics of education reform. Read about it in Jeanne Allen's *Washington Examiner* op-ed "How teachers' unions became the paper tigers of education reform."

**WITH THAT SAID ...** Union activities are far from dead as witnessed by this headline: "Teachers At Chicago's Largest Charter School Network Renew Push To Unionize." The AFT affiliate can't stand the fact that a successful charter network has educated scores of at risk kids without their input, or their ongoing member losses. Fear mongering of teachers is ongoing, but we trust principle will prevail.



**WILD WEST OUTPERFORMS.** "If Arizona's public charter students were separated and measured as their own state, it would rank among a handful of

the top-performing states in the entire country on the Nation's Report Card," says the Arizona Charter Schools Association. For the third straight year Arizona's charter school students have beaten the averages in the state's AzMERIT scores in virtually every subject area and at every grade level. And, we'll also note, per the item above, that Arizona was not far behind Minnesota in launching charters – opening their first school in 1995. The state now has 556 schools that serve 185,000 students. No wonder both Arizona and Minnesota score high on the 17th Edition of CER's National Charter School Law Rankings & Scorecard.

**MEANWHILE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. ...** Rumors that a federal effort to expand education opportunity has stalled are premature and exaggerated. A story today in Politico quoting insiders and those claiming to be in the know about the issues is, well, out-of-the-know. Interest in ensuring that more Americans have real access to education opportunity remains high on active issue on Capitol Hill and throughout Washington. How and who participates, and when it gets done actually takes a long time when dealing with a complex representative democracy (NB: readers may want to consult Tocqueville about this). Indeed thousands of supporters from around the country have been flooding Washington, meeting with their members of Congress within their own communities and working to educate the policy makers and policy leaders about why this issue matter. As they say in politics, "those who say don't know, and those who know, don't say."

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**AND IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.** Log onto EdReform.com for the latest on the AFT Chronicles or the ongoing effort by African-American leaders to show they have a different point of view on educational opportunity than many established organizations who claim to represent their views.





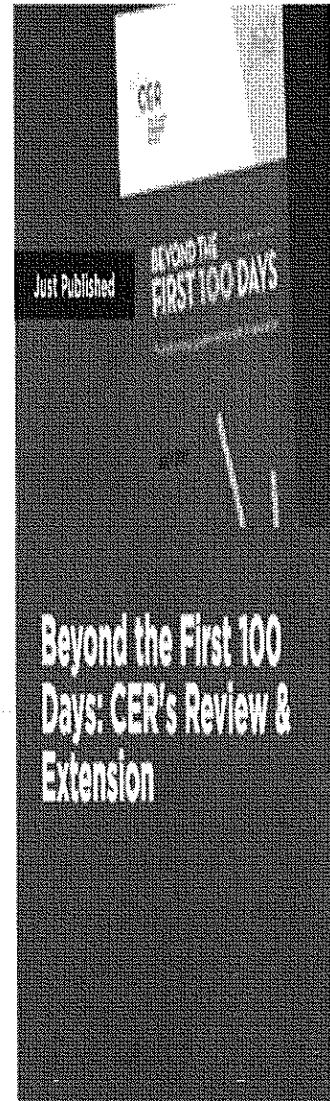
## CER Squares Off With AFT & Randi Weingarten

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## CER Board Members Speak Out Against NAACP Actions

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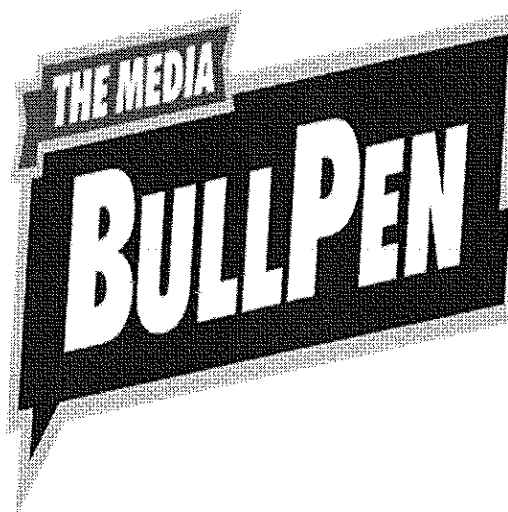


## Beyond the First 100 Days: CER's Review & Extension

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**To:** Rep07  
**Subject:** Constituent Concern - Eczema

Kristin Jacobs  
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Olmsted Falls, OH 44138

September 18, 2017

The Honorable Thomas Patton  
77 South High Street  
Columbus, OH 43215-6111

Dear Representative Patton,

I am your constituent and a grassroots advocate for the National Eczema Association (NEA). I write to introduce myself and ask for your support on issues that impact eczema patients' abilities to access care.

Eczema is a general term for a set of inflammatory skin conditions and is the one of the most common skin conditions among Americans. Experts estimate that 10.7 percent or 31.6 million Americans have eczema, 17.8 million of whom have atopic dermatitis (AD) - the most common and severe type of eczema.

AD is a multifaceted disease and its impact on patients' and their families' lives is complex. The most obvious health impacts relate to the amount and degree to which skin is affected - like itch, rash, and pain - but often, its most profound impacts are on other aspects of patients' lives, like their mental health, social function, work and school performance, the time required for treatment and self-care, and the direct and indirect medical cost for that care. AD frequently occurs with other atopic diseases, like asthma and hay fever, and has immense social costs. A recent estimate by the American Academy of Dermatology places the cost of atopic dermatitis' disease burden on the US economy at over \$3.1 billion (in 2013).

There currently is no cure for eczema but fortunately, there is an organization that strives to make sure patients' interests are represented in health policy debates that impact patients' access to care. NEA was founded in 1988 to improve the health and quality of life for individuals with eczema through research, support, and education. Generally, NEA supports initiatives that increase the amount of government funding for eczema research and opposes initiatives that place barriers between patients and the treatments prescribed to them by their doctors, such as irrational step therapy and prior authorization guidelines, high out-of-pocket costs, and restricted or limited networks of providers. For a full list of NEA's policy positions, please visit <https://nationaleczema.org/advocacy-priorities>.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns. I look forward to working with your office to make sure that the interests of people of with eczema are addressed.

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**From:** Rep07  
**Sent:** Monday, September 18, 2017 11:42 PM  
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**Subject:** Re: Constituent Concern - Eczema

Would be willing to meet for coffee in the district to discuss further.

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## UPDATE ON THE NEA'S BUDGET

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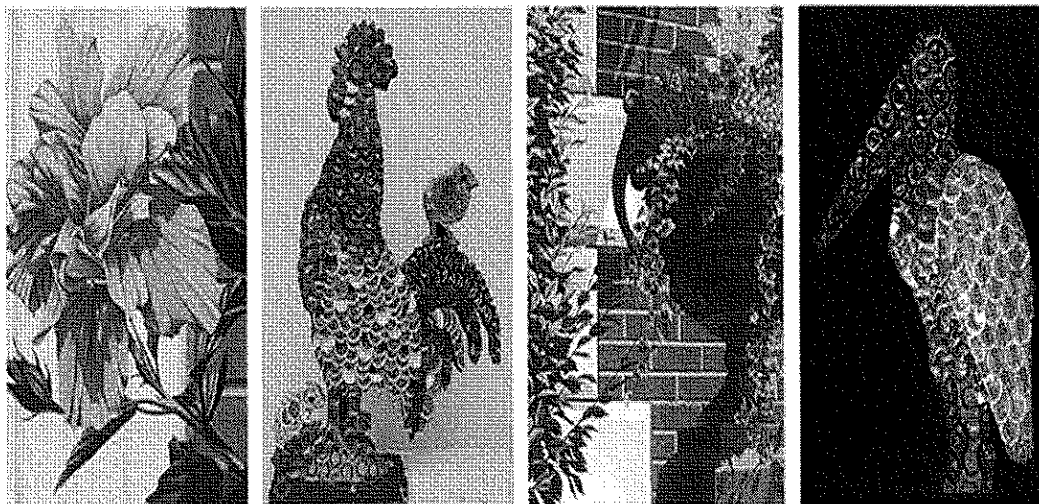
In this month's Message from the Executive Director, Donna S. Collins provides an update on the budget process for federal Fiscal Year 2019.

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**READ DONNA'S MESSAGE**

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**NORTH CANTON, ZANESVILLE ARTISTS' WORK  
FEATURED AT THE OHIO GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE  
THROUGH MARCH**



As part of the newest "Spotlight: Featured Artists at the Ohio Governor's Residence" exhibition, artwork by Diane Belfiglio of North Canton and John Taylor-Lehman of Zanesville will be displayed at the Governor's Residence in Bexley through March. Both artists were selected by Ohio's First Lady Karen W. Kasich with the assistance of the Ohio Arts Council.

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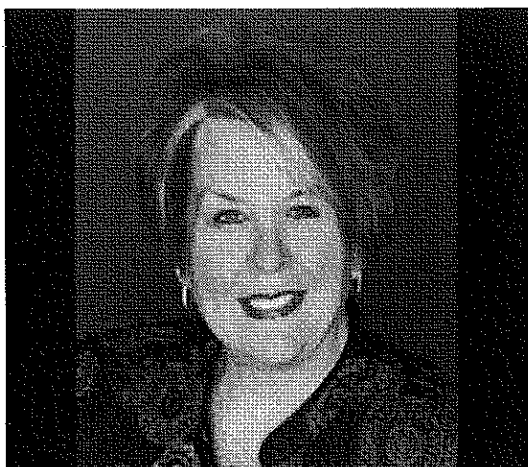


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## **NEA AWARDS MORE THAN \$520K TO OHIO ORGANIZATIONS**

Twenty-six Ohio organizations have received grant awards through the National Endowment for the Arts' Art Works and Challenge America programs. Ohio nonprofits will receive a total of \$521,000 through the NEA's first round of federal Fiscal Year 2018 funding.

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## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DONNA S. COLLINS AWARDED DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

Ohio Arts Council Executive Director Donna S. Collins received the Ohio Music Education Association's Distinguished Service Award at a ceremony on Feb. 9 in Columbus.

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## OHIO ARTIST LEAH WONG RE-EXAMINES HER ROOTS

"I was supposed to have a painting, but I didn't have any painting."

Ohio artist Leah Wong discusses her journey in search of artistic inspiration and how it led her to the OAC's collaborative residency with the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Massachusetts.

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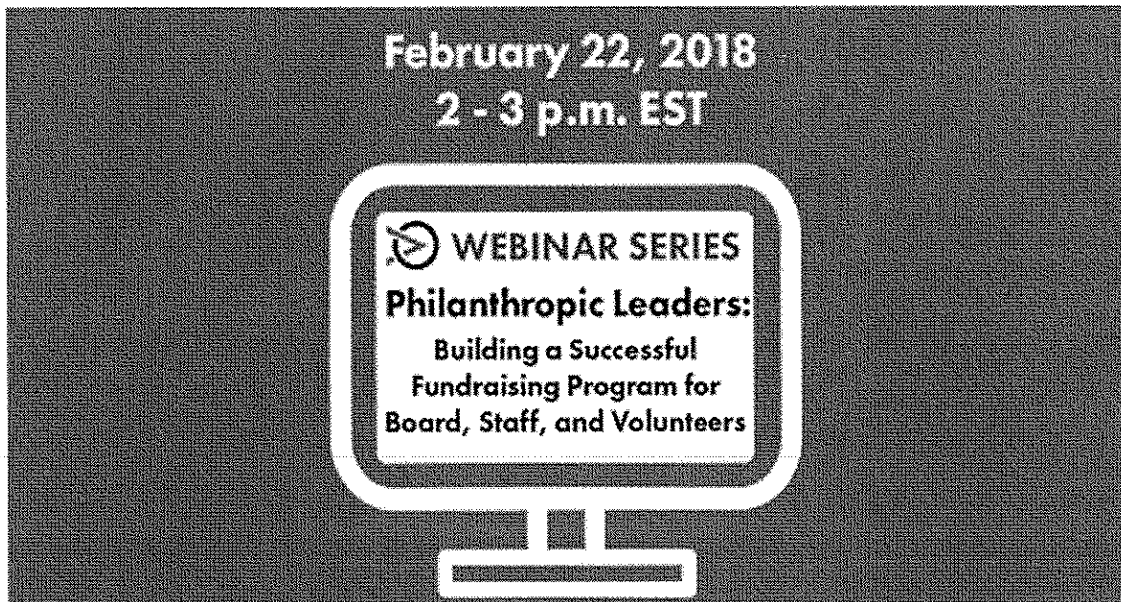


## MEET DAN KATONA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR

A parody songwriter on the weekends, Ohio native, and traveler, the OAC's Deputy Director Dan Katona can only be described as one color: teal. "Because it's a little bit of this and a little bit of that," he says. You can find Dan in his office, where he proudly displays his three daughters' artwork and writes some pretty interesting emails.

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## REGISTER TODAY FOR OUR FEBRUARY FUNDRAISING WEBINAR



**THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 2018, 2-3 p.m. EST:** Tune in to this **FREE** webinar led by Stacey Anderson, senior advisor at Aly Sterling Philanthropy, to learn more about fundraising program development for your organization.

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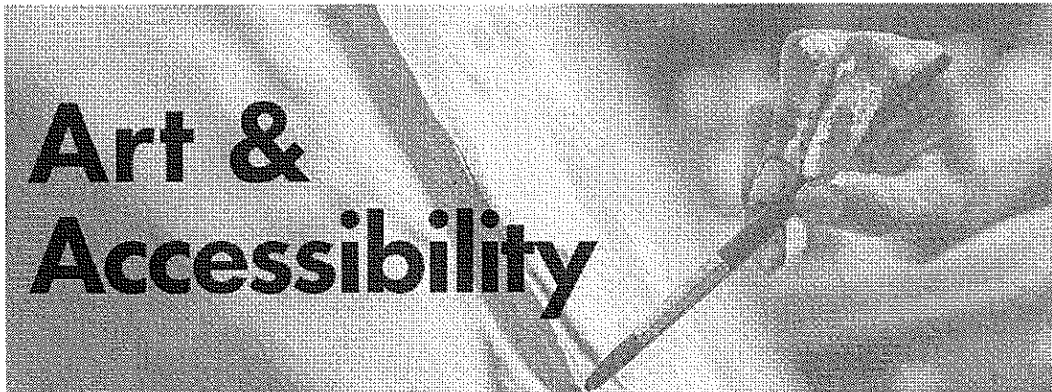
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**Art & Accessibility Tip #6: Sign up for an Accessibility Online session**

The Ohio Arts Council believes that everyone has the right of equal access to the arts. Each month, the ArtsOhio newsletter includes an accessibility tip for arts organizations. For additional accessibility resources, visit [oac.ohio.gov/About/About-the-Council/Accessibility](http://oac.ohio.gov/About/About-the-Council/Accessibility).

Did you know you can register for free accessibility training? Go to the Great Lakes ADA Center at [accessibilityonline.org/ao](http://accessibilityonline.org/ao) to read more and register today.

For more information about making your arts programming accessible, contact your Ohio Arts Council program coordinator at [oac.ohio.gov/About/Staff-Directory](http://oac.ohio.gov/About/Staff-Directory), including OAC Accessibility Coordinator Kim Turner at [kim.turner@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:kim.turner@oac.ohio.gov).

**HAPPENING AT THE RIFFE GALLERY**

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ON VIEW

**QUILT NATIONAL 2017**

**JANUARY 25 - APRIL 14, 2018**

20th Biennial International Juried Art Quilt Exhibition  
Produced by The Dairy Barn Arts Center, Athens, Ohio

Riffe Gallery  
OHIO ARTS COUNCIL

**QUILT NATIONAL 2017**  
January 25 - April 14, 2018

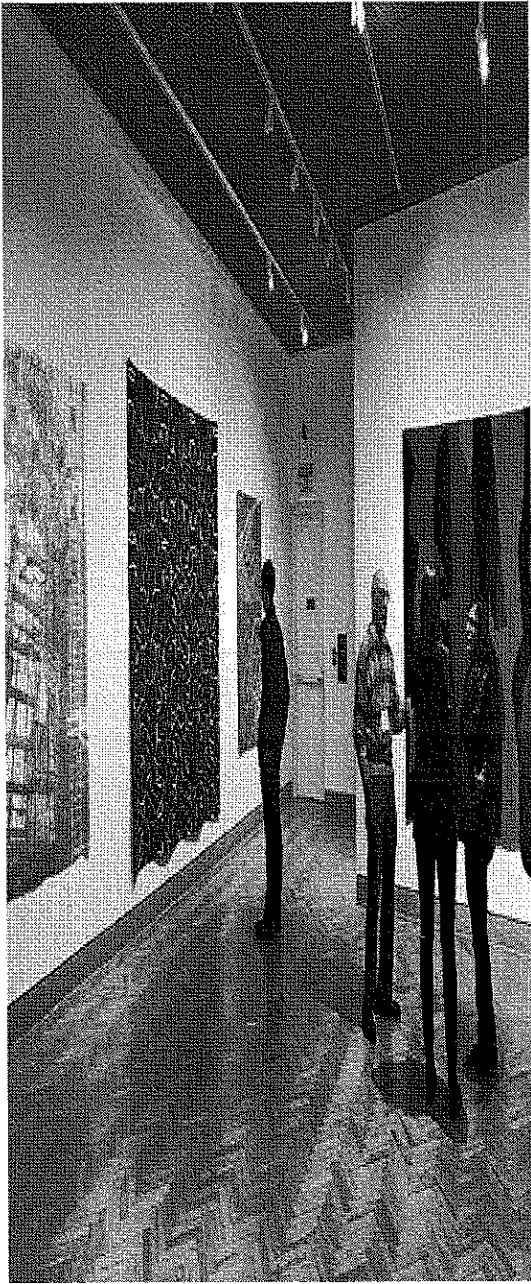
Produced by the Dairy Barn Arts Center in Athens, Ohio, *Quilt National 2017* is the 20th biennial international juried art quilt competition dedicated to the promotion of the contemporary art quilt. Its focus is to provide the viewer with a visual presentation of innovative trends in the medium of layered and stitched fabric. Artworks were selected by jurors Nancy Crow, Petra Fallaux, and Art Martin. The OAC Riffe Gallery will feature approximately 34 quilts by 34 artists from the original exhibition.

[Read more about the free events and programming scheduled for the OAC Riffe Gallery's Quilt National 2017 exhibition.](#)

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## PIECING IT TOGETHER: THE RIFFE GALLERY HOSTS QUILT NATIONALS

Quilt National 2017 marks the 20th biennial and continues to be enthusiastically dedicated to the promotion of the contemporary art quilt, providing the viewer a visual presentation of innovative trends in the medium of layered and stitched fabric.

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## FOR ORGANIZATIONS | Grants & Opportunities

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### **MARCH 1: ArtsNEXT Grant Deadline**

The ArtsNEXT program provides competitive funding for innovative and experimental projects. Awards support big ideas that push boundaries, engage participants in unexpected ways, pilot new solutions to challenging problems, improve program design with calculated risk-taking, or result in the creation of new work. These forward-looking projects help define Ohio as an exciting, cutting-edge place to make, consume, and experience the arts.

Applicants may generally request between \$5,000 and \$20,000, though larger awards are possible in unique circumstances. All awards require a 1:1 cash match. [More information and grant guidelines are available on the Ohio Arts Council website.](#)

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Coordinator, [jim.szekacs@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:jim.szekacs@oac.ohio.gov)

## FOR ARTISTS | Grants & Opportunities

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### **FEBRUARY 23: Call for Artists - Submissions Due**

The OAC is seeking women artists who are serving or have served in the military and who currently live in Ohio. Artists who work in painting, drawing, mixed media, and sculpture are eligible to participate in this exhibition which will specifically feature the works by women artists who are serving or have served in the armed forces.

This exhibition is part of a larger ongoing program, "Spotlight: Featured Artists at the Ohio Governor's Residence," which was developed by Ohio's First Lady Karen W. Kasich in collaboration with the OAC. This special exhibition, *2018 Artists' Spotlight: Works by Ohio's Military Women at the Ohio Governor's Residence*, celebrates works created by women



veterans and current service members while helping to support and recognize their artistic accomplishments and their service in the military. More information is available on the Ohio Arts Council website.

**CONTACT:** Kathy Signorino, Artist Programs Coordinator, [kathy.signorino@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:kathy.signorino@oac.ohio.gov)

### **MARCH 15: Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant Deadline**

The Traditional Arts Apprenticeship program provides support for master artists to work with apprentices to build understanding and proficiency in folk and traditional art forms. By pairing exemplary practitioners of traditional art forms with dedicated apprentices, this program allows for concentrated study and cultural exchange. Traditional Arts Apprenticeship awards support the teaching and sharing of important cultural traditions, and enrich the lives of people throughout the state.

Master artists may request up to \$4,000 to work with one, and if appropriate, two, apprentices. At least 50 percent of the request must be used for master artist honoraria. No match is required. More information and grant guidelines are available on the Ohio Arts Council website.

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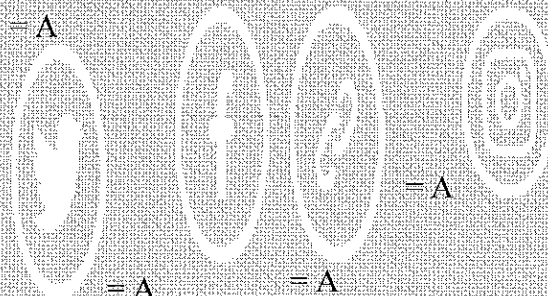
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**THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS  
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*National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Chairman Jane Chu and Ohio Arts Council Executive Director Donna S. Collins.*

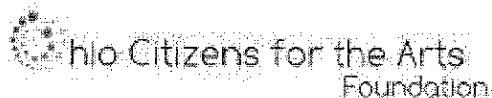
In this month's Message from the Executive Director, Donna S. Collins shares good news regarding a budget increase for the NEA in federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018, provides an update on the NEA's FFY 2019 budget, and discusses her experiences at National Arts Advocacy Day.

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**READ DONNA'S MESSAGE**

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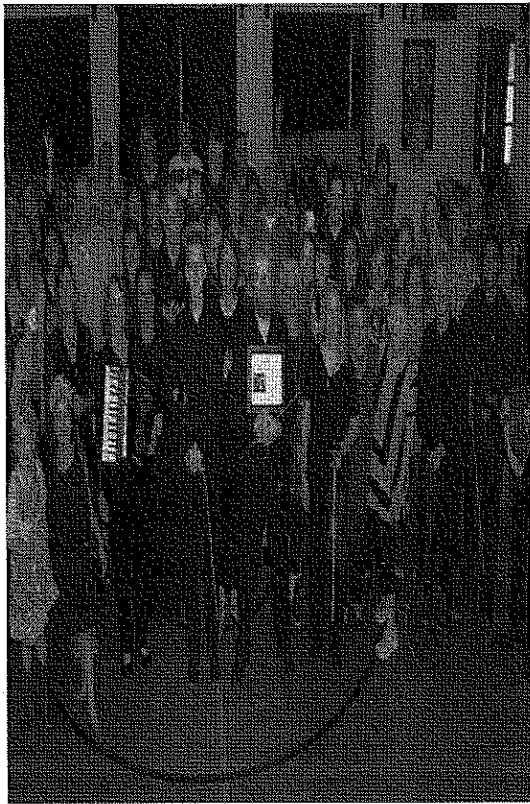
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## **DAYTON STUDENT WINS 2018 OHIO *POETRY OUT LOUD* STATE FINALS**

Caroline Delaney of Chaminade Julianne Catholic High School will represent Ohio at the 2018 *Poetry Out Loud* National Finals in Washington D.C., April 23-25. Eleven Ohio finalists competed at the 2018 State Finals for the title of state champion.

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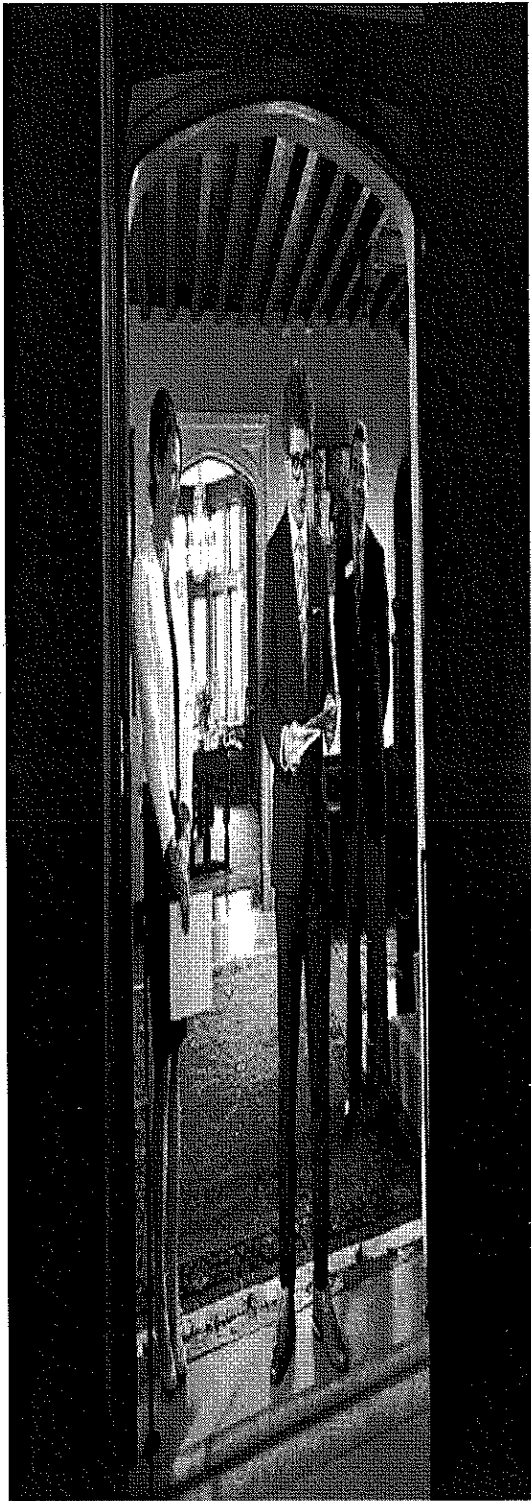


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CINCINNATI'S RILEY  
SCHOOL OF IRISH MUSIC  
RECEIVES AN OHIO ARTS  
COUNCIL HERITAGE  
FELLOWSHIP AWARD**

Dedicated to the pursuit of Irish music, the Riley School received an Ohio Arts Council Heritage Fellowship Award for Community Leadership last fall.

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**WATCH: OHIO POET  
LAUREATE DAVE LUCAS  
HONORED AT OHIO  
GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE**

Ohio Poet Laureate Dave Lucas recited his poems "Midwestern Cities" and "River on Fire" at a reception held at the Ohio Governor's Residence and Heritage Garden on March 13.

[WATCH IT HERE](#)



## MEET CHIQUITA MULLINS LEE, ARTS LEARNING COORDINATOR

A southern girl at heart and part of the agency's newly expanded Arts Education team of two, Chiquita is the Ohio Arts Council's resident writer extraordinaire. Learn about her dual roles as Arts Learning and *Poetry Out Loud* Coordinator in this meet the staff interview.

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## REGISTER TODAY FOR OUR MARCH ACCESSIBILITY WEBINAR

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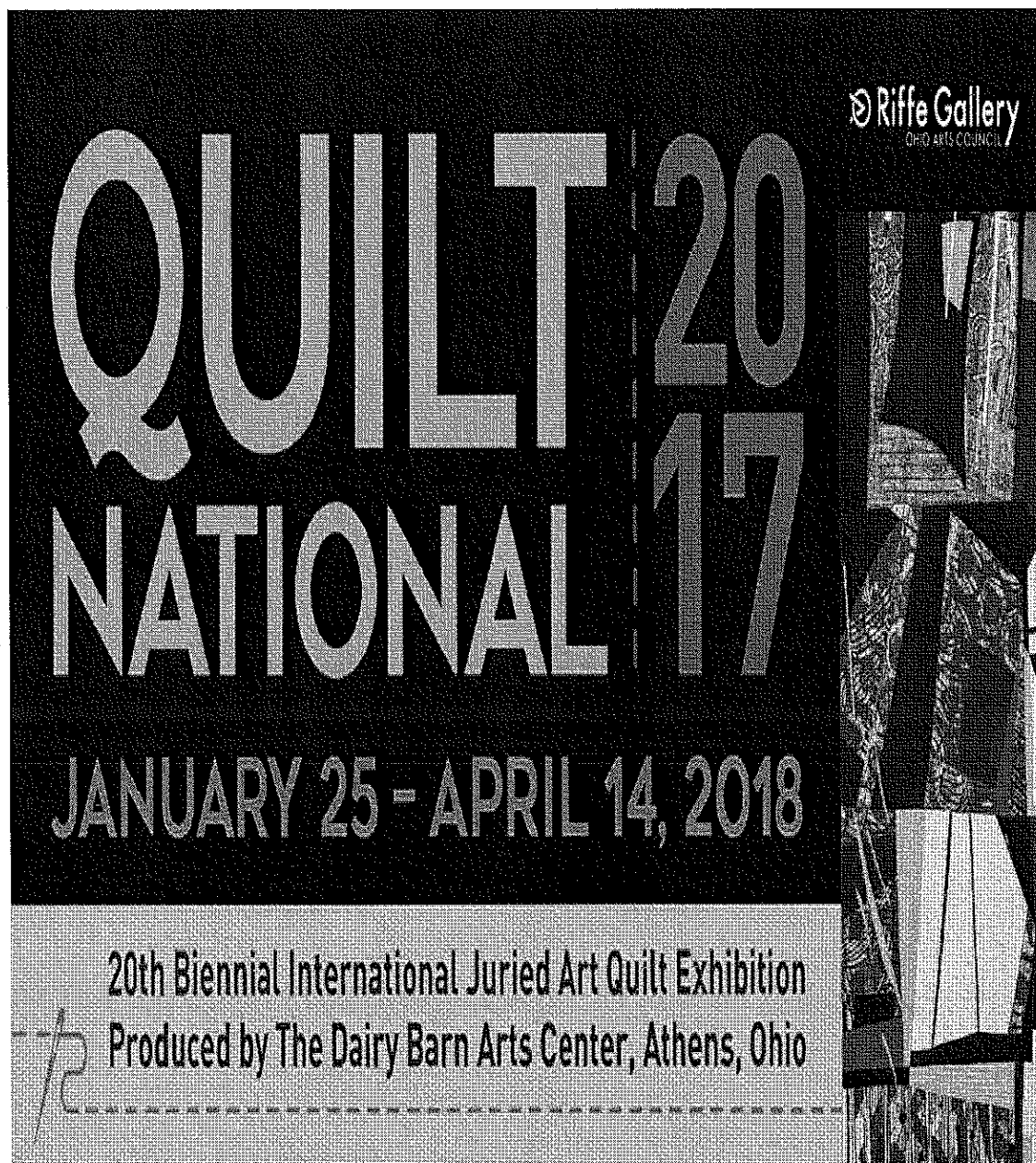
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For more information about making your arts programming accessible, contact your Ohio Arts Council program coordinator at [oac.ohio.gov/About/Staff-Directory](http://oac.ohio.gov/About/Staff-Directory), including OAC Accessibility Coordinator Kim Turner at [kim.turner@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:kim.turner@oac.ohio.gov).

## HAPPENING AT THE RIFFE GALLERY

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ON VIEW



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**QUILT NATIONAL 2017**

**January 25 - April 14, 2018**

Produced by the Dairy Barn Arts Center in Athens, Ohio, *Quilt National 2017* is the 20th biennial international juried art quilt competition dedicated to the promotion of the contemporary art quilt. Its focus is to provide the viewer with a visual presentation of innovative trends in the medium of layered and stitched fabric. Artworks were selected by jurors Nancy Crow, Petra Fallaux, and Art Martin. The OAC Riffe Gallery presents 36 of the original 86 works in the exhibition.

[Read more about the free events and programming scheduled for the OAC Riffe Gallery's Quilt National 2017 exhibition.](#)



## **PERSISTENCE PAYS, TRANSFORMING FIBERS**

*Quilt National 2017* marks the Dairy Barn Art Center's 20th biennial of producing this extraordinary art quilt exhibition, and the eighth collaboration with the OAC Riffe Gallery. The quilts on view have been created in the past few years by artists across the globe, and the OAC Riffe Gallery is currently presenting about a third of the entire exhibition on view.

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## WOMEN TO WATCH OHIO - 2018

May 3 - July 7, 2018

*Women to Watch Ohio – 2018* showcases the work of 10 Ohio women working with metal through sculpture, installation, jewelry, and two-dimensional works. The exhibition is developed in collaboration with the Ohio Advisory Group of the National Museum of Women in the Arts and is curated by Ann Bremner and Matt Distel. This is the second *Women to Watch Ohio* exhibition initiated by the Ohio Advisory Group and the first to encompass mid-Ohio as well as the northeast and southwest regions of the state.

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## LOBBY SHOW: PHOENIX RISING PRINTMAKING COOPERATIVE

April 12 - May 10, 2018

Phoenix Rising Printmaking Cooperative is dedicated to promoting the art of printmaking by providing a well-equipped studio, educational opportunities, an environment of mutual support, camaraderie, and inspiration for artists, students, and the community.

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## FOR ORGANIZATIONS | Grants & Opportunities

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### **APRIL 2: ArtSTART Grant Deadline**

The ArtSTART program provides flexible, accessible funding to help organizations complete short-term projects addressing a wide variety of goals and objectives. Most awards support the programming of new or emerging organizations, including first-time OAC applicants, as well as new or established organizations in areas not served by other arts providers.

Applicants may request between \$1,000 and \$5,000. All awards require a 1:1 cash match. To learn more about the ArtSTART program and to read the program guidelines, visit the [Ohio Arts Council website](#).

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### **APRIL 2: Year 4 Updates Due for Sustainability Grant Recipients**

The [Sustainability program](#) supports ongoing arts and cultural activities in all genres. Awards support the largest and most administratively sophisticated organizations in the state's arts and cultural ecosystem.

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#### **APRIL 13: Kent State University Taylor Hall Commission**

Kent State University (KSU) is inviting Ohio and national artists to submit up to nine digital images of past work for the KSU Taylor Hall Building Percent for Art Project commission. The renovation of KSU's Taylor Hall provided the opportunity to house together the School of Visual Communication Design and Communication Studies. The historic Taylor Hall building's interior has been transformed to become the center for these dynamic programs. The commissioned work should be reflective of the departments which are housed in Taylor Hall. Two interior wall locations have been identified for the commissioned work.

For more information about this opportunity, visit: [goo.gl/tUiNpm](http://goo.gl/tUiNpm).

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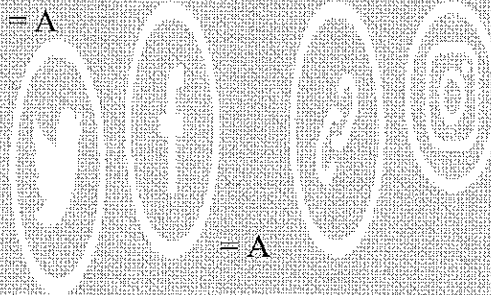
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March 23, 2018

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## POLICY NEWS - STATE

### Laramie Regional Airport Seeks Funds To Expand Terminal.

The Wyoming Business Report (3/22, Fredregill, Boomerang) reports Laramie Regional Airport "seeks funds to expand" its terminal. The \$12 million plan could double the terminal's square footage from about 6,500 square feet to about 14,000 square feet. The airport has secured about \$4.5 million from the FAA and Wyoming Department of Transportation.

## POLICY NEWS - FEDERAL

### NASA To Receive \$20.7 Billion As Part Of Proposed Omnibus Bill.

The Orlando (FL) Sentinel (3/22, Brinkmann) reports that NASA may receive a "billion-dollar boost" as part of a \$1.3 trillion omnibus bill which also funds the federal government through September 30. The bill "must pass Congress by Friday to avert another government shutdown this year." If passed, the bill would increase NASA's total funding to "\$20.73 billion, up from \$19.65 billion in the same bill for the 2017 fiscal year," more than \$1 billion more than the

White House's budget request. The bill also would double funding for the Kennedy Space Center (KSC) to \$895 million. According to Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL), the KSC funding would "create hundreds of jobs at the center" and enable NASA to "begin work on a second mobile launch structure" for the Space Launch System (SLS).

The Hill (3/22, Brufke) reports that the House "easily passed" the omnibus bill in a 256-157 vote Thursday, "sending legislation to the Senate that would prevent a shutdown and deliver the largest federal spending increase in years." The Senate is expected to "begin work on the bill immediately ahead of a midnight Friday deadline for preventing a shutdown."

Space News (3/22, Foust, Subscription Publication) reports that the bill would fully fund NOAA's Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite R (GOES-R) and Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS) programs, as well as provide funding for the Space Weather Follow-On program and NOAA's Commercial Weather Data Pilot program, "which funds the purchase and analysis of GPS radio occultation and other commercial satellite weather data sources." NOAA's Commercial Remote Sensing Regulatory Affairs (CRSRA) office and Office of Space Commerce would see increased funding, as would the FAA's Office of Commercial Space Transportation. The bill also would allocate \$1.97 million for the National Space Council for 2018, and includes language allowing it to accept personnel detailed from other agencies without having to pay their salaries."

Space News (3/22, Foust, Subscription Publication) separately reports that the spending bill also "restores funding for Earth science and education programs slated for cancellation by the White House and includes additional money for the agency to build a second mobile launch platform for the Space Launch System." Four of the five Earth science programs slated for cancellation – "the Plankton, Aerosol, Cloud, and ocean Ecosystem (PACE) mission, the CLARREO Pathfinder and Orbiting Carbon Observatory 3 instruments and the Earth observation instruments on the Deep Space Climate Observatory spacecraft – are "explicitly funded in the request." NASA's education program will receive \$100 million in funding, and the Restore-L satellite servicing mission, which the "administration sought to convert into a more general, and much smaller, technology development program, receives \$130 million in the bill." NASA's Wide Field Infrared Survey Telescope (WFIRST), "another mission slated for cancellation in the 2019 budget request, received \$150 million in the 2018 omnibus bill."

## **House Science Committee Advances Two Space Bills.**

Space News (3/22, Foust, Subscription Publication) reports that the House Science Committee passed two bills Thursday "that would recognize a NASA center as a center of excellence in rocket propulsion and would resolve a commercial space regulatory issue." HR 5345, the American Leadership in Space Technology and Advanced Rocketry (ALSTAR) Act, recognizes NASA's Marshall Flight Center as the "lead center for rocket propulsion and is essential to sustaining and promoting US leadership in rocket propulsion and developing the next generation of rocket propulsion capabilities." The bill would also require the center to "provide national leadership in rocket propulsion" and to collaborate with the public, industry, and academic institutions to develop and promote a "strong, healthy rocket propulsion industrial base." HR 5346, the Commercial Space Support Vehicle Act, would give the FAA's Office of Commercial Space Transportation the "ability to issue licenses and experimental permits" for "space support vehicles" such as Virgin Galactic's WhiteKnightTwo and a Stratolaunch System aircraft under development. The licenses and permits would be effective beginning March 2019.

## FAA "Open For Business" With Drone Operators.

Commercial UAV News (3/22, Karpowicz) reports "more than anything else," the FAA message at a recent conference with drone operators is that the agency is "open for business." A "variety" of FAA officials "went out of their way to talk about how they wanted to collaborate with drone industry stakeholders." In his keynote, FAA Acting Administrator Dan Elwell emphasized the need to collaborate on safety.

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## AVIATION

### Norway Announces Plans To Purchase Electric Planes.

Reuters (3/22, Doyle) reports that Norway "said on Thursday it wants to buy electric passenger planes in the coming years to help slow climate change, building on its success with big tax breaks that have made it the world leader in electric car sales." State-owned company Avinor operates 45 airports in Norway, and suggested that the commitment may spur the development of battery-powered aircraft at companies such as Airbus and The Boeing Company. Avinor head Dag Falk-Pedersen told reporters at an Oslo aviation conference, "In my mind, there's no doubt that by 2040 Norway will be operating totally electric." Falk-Pedersen added that Airbus "told us they need a customer and they need a market – and we can offer them both," and he anticipated Norway that may present a "tender within a year or two to the market" for five to 15 aircraft with between 12 to 50 seats each. Norway's Transport

Minister Ketil Solvik-Olsen "said Oslo would try to repeat its success in promoting electric cars, backed by tax breaks and other perks such as free parking and recharging points."

### **DJI Seeks \$500 Million In Funding In Advance Of IPO.**

Reuters (3/22, Lau, Zhu) reports that the Chinese UAV maker DJI is in talks with "investors for at least \$500 million in funding ahead of a planned stock market debut, people with knowledge of the matter said." The new funding will be obtained by a combination of equity and debt, and would allow the company to be "valued at about \$15 billion, nearly double its valuation in 2015, they said." DJI plans to expand into "drones for sectors such as agriculture, energy, [and] construction as well as drones for use in infrastructure inspection, two of the three people said, declining to be identified as the information was private." DJI's competitors include China's Yuneec, which is backed by "Intel, France's Parrot and units of Boeing and Lockheed Martin."

### **Amazon Patents UAV That Can Respond To Gestures.**

The Washington Post (3/22, Shaban) reports that Amazon has been granted a new patent this week by the US Patent and Trademark Office "for a delivery drone that can respond to human gestures." The UAV is part of Amazon's "goal to develop a fleet of unmanned aerial vehicles that can get packages to customers in 30 minutes or less." Depending on a person's gestures, the UAV can "can adjust its behavior, according to the patent," and could "release the package it's carrying, alter its flight path to avoid crashing, ask humans a question or abort the delivery, the patent says." An illustration attached to the patent depicts "possible voice commands to the incoming machine." The patent adds that the "human recipient and/or the other humans can communicate with the vehicle using human gestures to aid the vehicle along its path to the delivery location."

### **With Laudamotion Addition, "Boeing Loyalist" Ryanair Will Fly Airbus Jets For First Time.**

Reuters (3/22, Humphries, Bryan, Hephner) reports that Ryanair's plan to buy a portion of Laudamotion will "add Airbus planes to the Irish low-cost carrier's fleet for the first time and could herald an improvement in relations with the European planemaker." The acquisition will add 15 Airbus A320s to Ryanair's fleet of 430 Boeing 737s, and "marks an unusual step in the low-cost business, where carriers tend to stick to a single aircraft type to keep costs down and operations simple." The move may signal a "shift to form a multi-airline group in the low-cost business, mirroring traditional operators such as IAG and Lufthansa," which operate several carriers. Ryanair CEO Michael O'Leary said he had hoped to acquire an Airbus fleet "some years." According to aviation consultant John Strickland, "Airbus never wanted to play ball with Ryanair, but it could be a new start with changes to the Airbus sales team and top management."

### **US, Poland Close To Multi-Billion Dollar Patriot Missile Sale.**

Reuters (3/22, Kelly) reports that the US and Poland are expected to agree to a multi-billion dollar deal for Raytheon's Patriot missile defense system on March 28, "three sources told Reuters." Poland had indicated previously that it would spend as much as \$7.6 billion on the system, but "the sources said the deal to be announced next week may not be more than \$5.5 billion." The State Department approved sale of the systems in November, and at that time

Poland was "interested in buying eight of the systems." The proposed sale had included "208 Patriot Advanced Capability-3 (PAC-3) Missile Segment Enhancement missiles, 16 M903 launching stations, four AN/MPQ-65 radars, four control stations, spares, software and associated equipment." Poland's defense ministry "did not respond to Reuters' request for comment, but Defence Minister Mariusz Blaszczak said in late January that he expected the deal to be signed by the end of the first quarter."

### **Japan To Present F-35 Purchase Proposal To Parliament In Late May.**

Aviation International News (3/22, Donald) reports that Japanese government officials "presented a proposal at an internal national security panel" for the purchase of military equipment including the "purchase of F-35Bs, and a new multi-purpose aircraft carrier/hospital ship." The government plans to present the plans to parliament in late May.

### **Airbus Plans To Target A330-200 Operators For New A330-800 Orders.**

FlightGlobal (3/22, Kaminski-Morrow) reports that Airbus believes its A330neo is "capable of defending the airframer's position against the Boeing 787 as a replacement wave for older A330s accelerates." Airbus head of marketing Crawford Hamilton has pointed out that Airbus A330-200s purchased soon after the model's introduction in 1998 may begin to be replaced within the next three to four years. Airbus has delivered a total of 620 A330-200 aircraft, and Hamilton said Airbus plans to "exploit" this looming demand for new jets within this market. Hamilton estimated that around 100 A330s will have been in service for more than 20 years by 2020, and he added that Boeing 767s are also "ripe for replacement."

### **Swiss To Vote On Fighter Acquisition By 2020.**

FlightGlobal (3/22, Hoyle) reports that the Swiss government's plans to replace its entire fighter fleet "will be the subject of a public vote planned for early 2020." In November, Bern outlined its "Air 2030" program, which would replace its F-5, F/A-18C/Ds, and air defense systems for approximately \$8.4 billion. Under Switzerland's current schedule, "parliamentary debate will occur in 2019" before a public referendum which will be held no later than "spring 2020." Selection of the new fighter could take place "by the end of the same year...with a contract signature likely in 2022 and deliveries anticipated between 2025 and 2030." The Gripen E, Dassault Rafale, Eurofighter Typhoon, Boeing F/A-18E/F Super Hornet, and Lockheed Martin F-35 are considered potential contenders to replace the Swiss fighters.

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### **Airbus Issues "Warning Shot" To Melrose Over GKN Plans, R&D Investments.**

The Financial Times (3/22, Hollinger, Pooler, Subscription Publication) reports that Airbus warned Melrose Industries, which is attempting to buy aerospace supplier GKN in a hostile bid, that it must maintain GKN's research and development spending.

### **Harris Corporation Receives \$161 Million F/A-18 EWS Contract.**

Reuters (3/22) reports that Harris Corporation received a \$161 million F/A-18 electronic warfare system production contract, and was "recognized for 20 years of 100 percent on-time deliveries." The contracting party has not been disclosed.

## SPACE

### **Planetary Science "Doing Incredibly Well" Under NASA's 2019 Budget.**

SPACE (3/22, Foust) reports that NASA Planetary Science Division Director Jim Green, speaking at a "town hall meeting about NASA's planetary science program," cited the agency's proposed 2019 budget, which includes \$2.2 billion for planetary science efforts, and stated, "Overall, planetary science is doing incredibly well." Green added, "Planetary science has never had this high a budget," and he further "noted that, in past years, planetary science has suffered significant budget cuts at the expense of other parts of NASA." Now, Green said, is planetary science's "time in the sun to shine."

### **Chinese Space Lab Expected To De-Orbit "Over Easter Weekend.= 2**

SPACE (3/22, David) reports that China's Tiangong-1 space station is "likely fall to Earth between March 30 and April 2," according to the latest predictions of the ESA's Space Debris Office, although ESA representatives called the window "highly variable." During this time, the ESA will serve as the "host and administrator of a test campaign regarding the re-entry of Tiangong-1, conducted by the Inter Agency Space Debris Coordination Committee (IADC)." IADC members will use the fall of Tiangong-1 to "conduct their annual re-entry test campaign, during which participants will pool their predictions of the time window, as well as their respective tracking datasets obtained from radar and other sources." The group will seek to use the data collected to "cross-verify, cross-analyze and improve the prediction accuracy for all members."

### **NYTimes Highlights Amazon's Mars Conference.**

The New York Times (3/22, B1, Nicas, Subscription Publication) reports in a story on the front page of its business section on "Mars, an exclusive three-day conference" in Palm Springs "run by Amazon and its founder, Jeff Bezos, for some of the world's most successful geeks." The conference focused on AI, an area in which "Amazon is eager to buoy its reputation...amid tight competition from Google." Bezos "handpick[ed] the roughly 200 attendees, most from the fields of artificial intelligence, robotics and space." Bezos "was visible throughout" the conference, "sitting front and center at presentations and posing for photos with attendees in front of a Blue Origin space capsule."

### **LightSail 2 Spacecraft To Launch As Soon As June.**

SPACE (3/22, Howell) reports that the Planetary Society's LightSail 2 spacecraft may launch as early as June 13 aboard a SpaceX Falcon Heavy rocket at Kennedy Space Center (KSC), and will serve as a "test bed for future missions wanting to use solar sails – including NASA's proposed cubesat, the Near-Earth Asteroid Scout (NEA Scout)." LightSail 1 launched in May 2015, lasting "just under a month in low Earth orbit." Its successor will incorporate improvements including "a momentum wheel, or a rapidly spinning wheel that helps LightSail 2 maintain



position in space." Other tweaks include new attitude determination and control software as well as upgraded cameras.

### **SpaceX's Negotiations With Port Of Los Angeles Continue.**

SPACE (3/22, Howell) reports that SpaceX is negotiating with the Port of Los Angeles on a facility for the manufacture of "large commercial transportation vehicles," according to documents posted to the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners website. The company's current rockets are built in Hawthorne, California, and it is speculated that the Big Falcon Rocket (BFR) may be built in Los Angeles. The board approved environment regulations necessary for the project last week, and will "later vote on a lease to approve the project, but the date of that vote has not yet been released." The board stated that the project "would not have a significant effect on the environment."

### **Raytheon Enters Final Phase Of Next-Generation GPS Control System Development.**

Airforce Technology (3/21) reported that Raytheon has entered the "final software development phase" for its next-generation GPS operational control system. During the phase, Raytheon will "focus on improving automation and building controls for both L1C and M-code." L1C is a civilian GPS signal designed for international access, while M-Code is a "military GPS signal with increased anti-jam capability." According to Raytheon Intelligence, Information and Services President Dave Wajsgas, the company will "support the US Air Force's (USAF) GPS III launch this fall and complete the software build for the fully operational system by year's end."

### **Kratos, Orbital ATK To Continue Exclusive Oriole Rocket Motor Agreement.**

IHS Jane's 360 (3/21, Scott) reported Kratos Defense & Security Solutions' Space and Missile Defense Systems business unit reaffirmed a "longstanding agreement with Orbital ATK's Missile Products Division that gives Kratos exclusive rights to sell Oriole Solid Propellant Rocket Motors (SPRMs)." GovCon Wire (3/22) reports Orbital ATK cleared Kratos to continue selling Oriole for "national security-related areas such as weapon systems research, missile defense and hypersonics, the latter company said Tuesday."

## **MANUFACTURING**

### **Apprenticeship Programs "Alive And Well" In New York.**

The Utica (NY) Observer Dispatch (3/22) reports that "hundreds of [New York] area youth are learning job skills and earning income without spending thousands on a college education," adding that "apprenticeships are alive and well, and poised to expand from traditional fields into high-tech areas. Local unions run free apprenticeships in a wide range of trades, including electricians, sprinkler fitters, painters, elevator constructors, bricklayers and boilermakers." The Observer Dispatch writes that the Workforce Development Board of Herkimer, Madison, and Oneida Counties "is offering grants to help area employers meet the demand for skilled workers by offering apprenticeships." American Apprenticeship Initiative Program Director Nate Crossett is quoted saying, "The major issue is that people, especially in manufacturing, are retiring at a rate that these local companies just can't keep up with. Apprenticeships were a big deal in the '70s and '80s." Crossett adds that workforce issues are "putting manufacturing in danger of not really

being able to compete locally, nationally or even internationally. That was the main premise of why this grant was created." Central New York Labor Council President Patrick Costello is also cited, arguing that "apprenticeships are a great way for young people to train for a skilled job with good pay and benefits without going into debt paying for college." Costello is also quoted, saying, "It's like going to college and getting paid all the time you're going, getting a degree in a trade without having any student debt. So, it's a pretty good deal."

## STEM EDUCATION

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### **PSU Students Work In Community Classrooms On Technological Literacy.**

The [Joplin \(MO\) Globe](#) (3/22, Younker) reports on a "new partnership" between Pittsburg State University and community schools which is "ensuring that young schoolchildren are introduced to science, technology, engineering, and math fields." Students enrolled in the "relatively new minor in technological literacy" at PSU "are tasked with building skills and strategies to implement STEM activities in their future classrooms, and they're spending the academic year testing those activities in actual classrooms in Pittsburg schools." The article describes experiences of elementary school students befitting from the program

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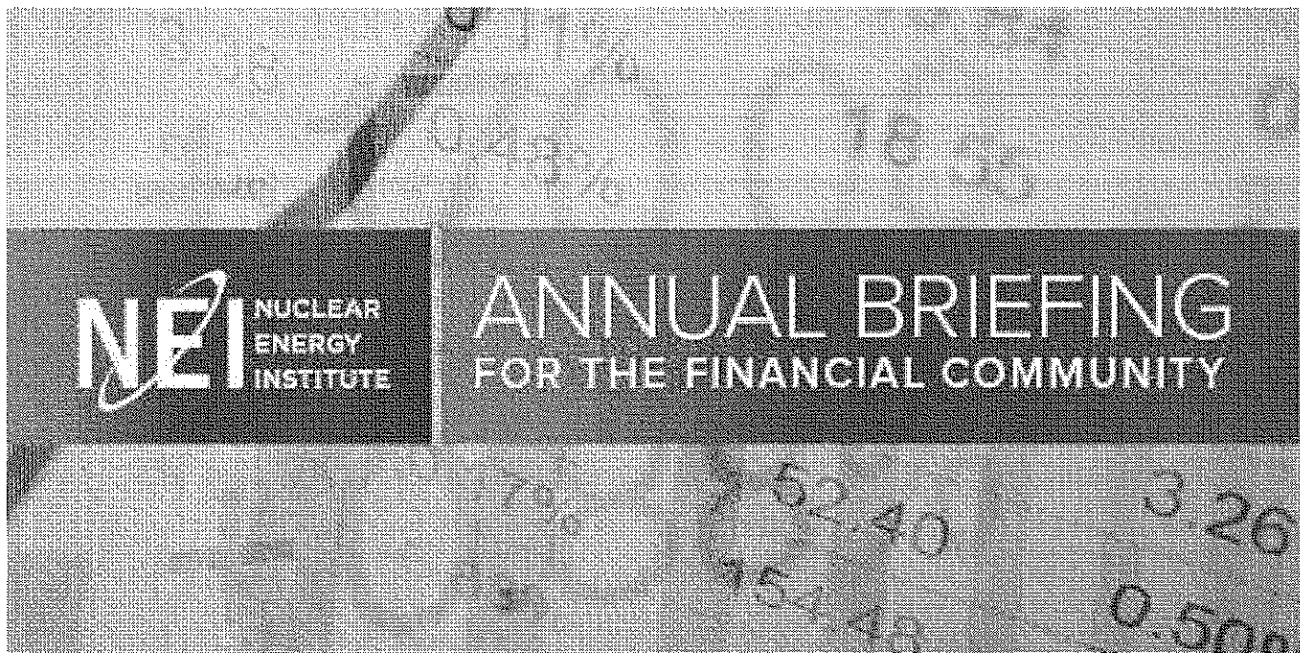


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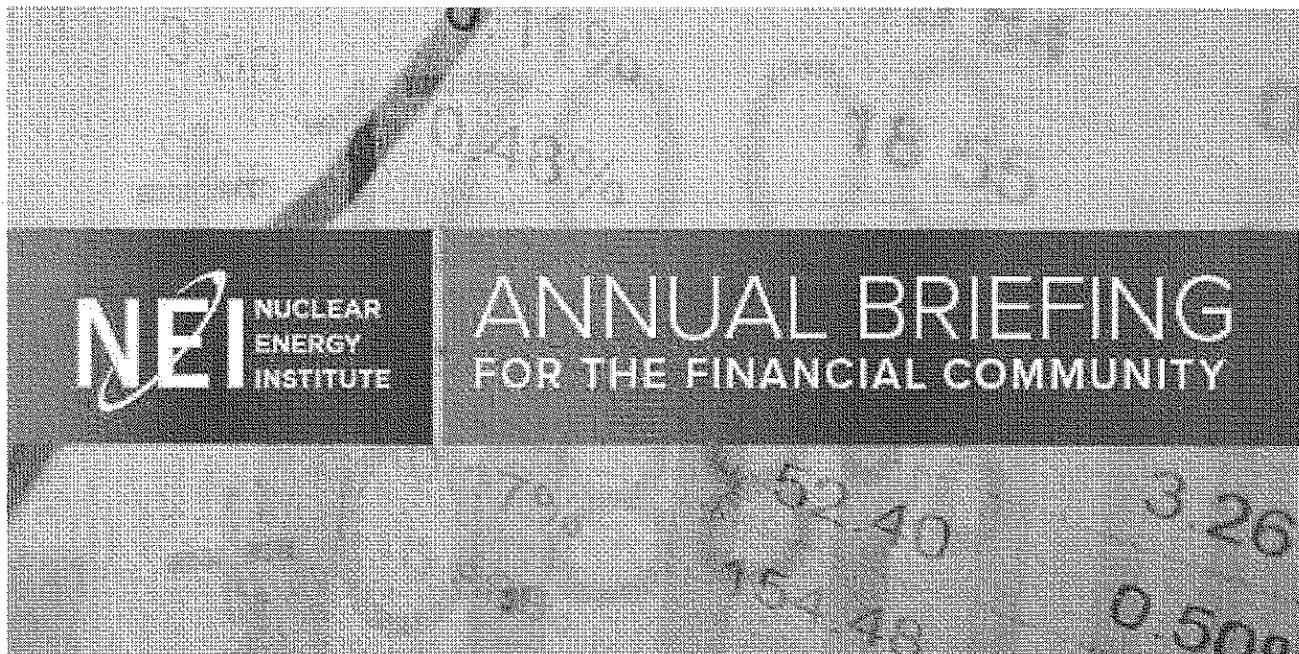
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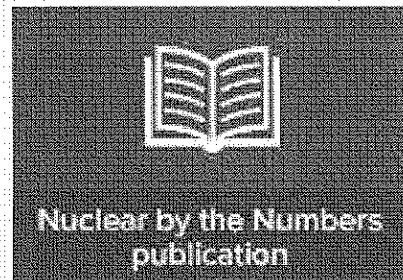
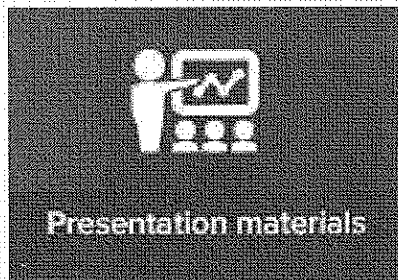
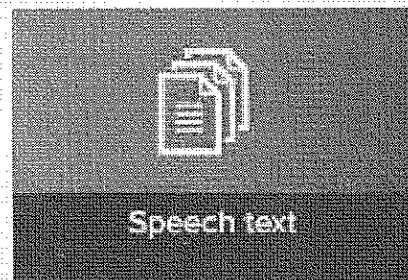
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- Premature retirement of nuclear power plants jeopardizes the resilient, diverse electricity system on which we rely.

- Policy seeking to maximize carbon-free energy must include nuclear to be effective.
- The industry has identified steps that if implemented could create operational efficiencies resulting in \$1.3 billion in potential savings.
- New reactor designs are making significant progress toward commercialization.

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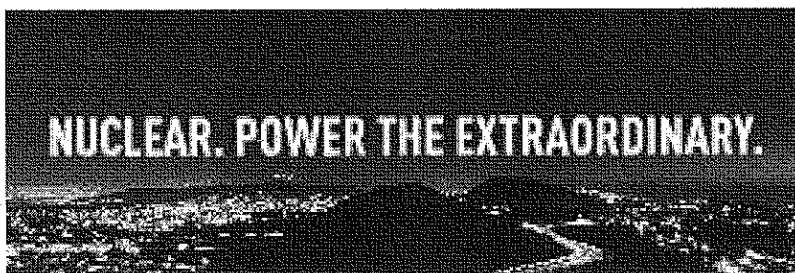
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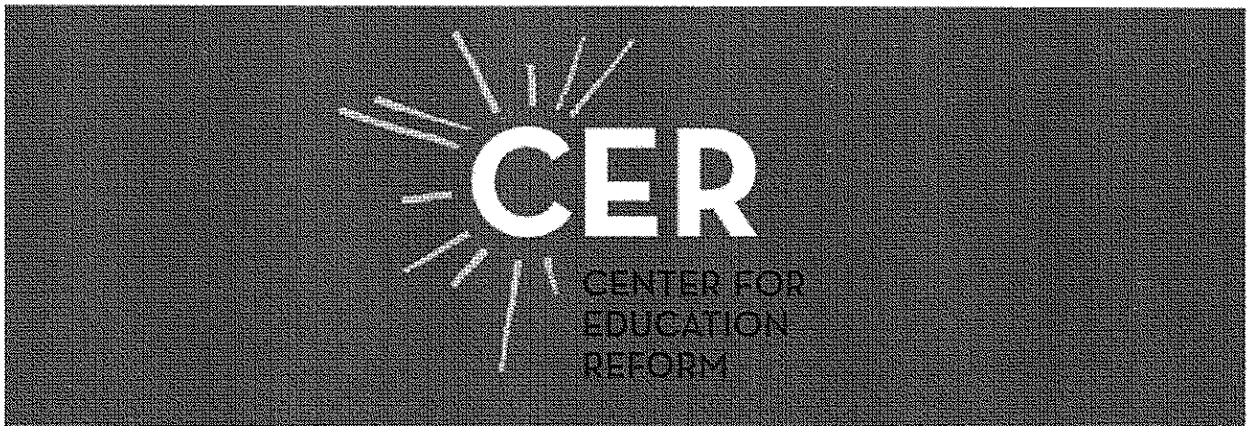
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National Charter Schools Week 2018, Day 3:

## **The UNIONS, and their impact on Teachers**

Recognizing charter schools as well as those who enable their progress on this #TeachersDay 2018 must include a recognition of those that stand in the way of yet more progress- the National Education Association and the exceptionally hostile American Federation of Teachers (AFT).

It's no secret these two groups have always opposed and spread falsehoods about charters, working hard to convince teachers that they don't serve kids. That has largely failed, but lately, the rhetoric and attacks by the union bosses have taken a troubling, destructive turn. Their increased hostility can only be a result of one thing – a threat to their power. Charter schools have gained strength and acceptance across the nation, threatening the unions' power, influence, money and membership. NEA membership declined in 27 states last year. The AFT membership fell by 69,000 in 2016. And within a few short weeks, the US Supreme Court will decide in Janus vs AFSCME if the US constitution intended for union fees to be involuntarily extracted from the nation's teachers. (We think our Founders did not).

But rather than evolve and adapt to changes in the 180-year-old factory model system of education, rather than create a new path for teachers that supports their growth over mandating uniformity and lock step acceptance of rules, they have dug in their heels and decided character assassination and anti-charter propaganda is best, even declaring unfathomably that the charter school movement is rooted in racism and in the Jim Crow politics of the South's past!

Over at their palatial building on 16th Street, NW in Washington the NEA has been sending missives out to teachers based on last year's policy statement that – in the union mind and the union mind only - it ~~is~~ jeopardize[s] student success, undermines public education and harms communities” and thus they must “arm our communities and our educational professionals with the tools and voice we all need to ensure a better future for our youth.”

Of course, those tools should be making sure every child gets a great education no matter what the vehicle, but that would never occur to a union who derives its power from mandatory assignment and forced membership.

As absurd and as unfounded as their comments and actions are, they must not go unchallenged. Nor should we ignore that they have tried to tie their school-funding/teacher-pay protests to charters. Make no mistake, these walkouts, sickouts and strikes are intended to build their union, pushing charter school teachers to follow them. Many have called them out in the news and in podcasts with important education leaders.

The good news is that there is help for charter schools and their teachers who want to resist the forced actions of unions to take over these life-saving schools.